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**❖** ARCATA COMMUNITY FOREST

# Heroes or hoodlums?

# City vows to find, banish 'folk hero' trail builders

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ARCATA COMMUNITY FOREST -The Arcata Community Forest is growing, gaining infrastructure and is, once again, steeped in a certain amount of drama and mystery. Just a stroll from where the mysterious cabin once stood, the city has cracked down, undoing new

illegal construction. But this time, rebellion is afoot, both overt and stealthy.

The story unfolded at the Thursday, Oct. 13 meeting of the Arcata Forest Management Committee. Environmental Services Director Mark Andre began the meeting by briefing the committee on illegal trailbuilding in the Community Forest. A single-track mountain bike

trail was recently discovered, linking Trail 12 to a spot near the intersection of Trails 6 and 8.

Built in an area recently thinned, it extended a previously created and also unauthorized trail extending Trail 13 to 12. That trail, dubbed the "Lower 13," parallels the existing Trail 13. Though it

TRAIL \* A6

# Brave new ball park planned

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ARCATA - It's the year 2020, and you and your family are headed to a Humboldt Crabs game. You pull up to the ball park, lift your kids out of their bicycle trailers and turn your bikes over to the valet. You stroll through the leafy plaza outside the Arcata Ball Park entrance and

You don't walk down a concrete ramp to the new bleachers - they're on the upraised viewing area. Underneath them are various concessions, including a childcare room. Dropping off your toddler, and have Carl pour you a few tall, frosty ones.

You're early, so you take a stroll through the refurbished Judo Hut, which serves as a Humboldt Crabs Historical



you head for the beer garden ARCATA BALL PARK An attractive plaza with landscaping would greet visitors to the Arcata Ball Park, home to the Humboldt Crabs. ARTIST RENDERING COURTESY CITY OF ARCATA

by a different local restaurant

son, a dining facility operated you notice that the field is being prepared for tomorrow's ball park functions. There'll The Crabs win (again), and be a Humboldt State ceremo-Museum, and, during the sea- as you head out to F Street, no on the infield, which is ful-

ly wired with electricity and sound system hookups. That night, there will be a concert. Not all of these amenities

**BALL PARK \* A4** 

## ❖ ON THE PENINSULA

Est. 2013

# District hopes former mill site brings prosperity

**Jack Durham** MAD RIVER UNION

SAMOA PENINSULA - The harbor district hopes to bring the bay's working waterfront into a new era with the grand opening of its newly refurbished Redwood Marine Terminal II, located at the site of the old pulp mill out on the Samoa

The sprawling industrial facility, located on 72 prime acres just south of the town of Samoa, includes a 1,170-foot-long dock with deep-water access; 130,000 square feet of warehouse space; 70,000-square-feet of shop and office space and



Mike Wilson

enough fresh water to supply industry with a whopping 60,000 gallons a day. There's also a mile-and-half long ocean outfall line for disposing of treated effluent – a rare disposal option. That line has been maintained and is partially in use, disposing of water from the DG Fairhaven Power LLC biomass plant, located further south on the peninsula.

The Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District recently completed a \$3 million upgrade of the facilities, which involved putting new roofs and new siding on the warehouses and offices, as well as revamping and upgrading the electrical system. In 2014, the district also worked with the Environmental Protection Agency to clean up acids and pulping liquors that were left behind by Evergreen Pulp, which abruptly closed down in 2008.

The next phase of the project includes the demolition of the giant smoke stack and clean up of the piles of demolition debris scattered across what looks like a postapocalyptic landscape.

Although there's a lot more work to be done.

HARBOR ❖ A4

# Former resident abducted

**Jeffery** 

Woodke

MAD RIVER UNION

NIGER – A Humboldt State University graduate and former McKinleyville resident was reportedly abducted by gunmen from his

home in the African nation of Niger on Friday night, Oct. 14.

According to a an article posted on the Reuters website, gunmen raided the home of U.S. aid worker Jeffery Woodke, killed his guard and housekeeper, then took him across the desert to Mali.

Woodke, who works for a nongovernmental organization called JEMED, was taken from his home in the town of Abalak. Woodke has lived in Niger since 1992, according to Reuters.

"These criminals are now head-

ing towards Mali," Reuters quoted Niger Interior Minister Mohamed Bazoum as saying. "Our forces are on their trail."

Woodke is listed as an instruc-

tor on the website of the Redwood Coast School of Missions in Arcata. "Jeff's passion in providing humanitarian aid to those who are amongst the poorest in the world, coupled with his desire to see God's kingdom advanced in a largely Muslim world has played a large part in

the life and ministry of AFBC (Arcata First Baptist Church),' states Woodke's bio on the school's website.

Woodke's Facebook page identifies him as a McKinleyville resident. His wife, Els Woodke, is also listed as a McKinleyville resident.

# Riled Westwooders push for public-police partnership



WHY WE ♥ ARCATA Westwood Village children at the meeting cre- and understand," said Counated art that expressed their feelings about their town. KLH | UNION

Kevin L. Hoover MAD RIVER UNION

WESTWOOD VILLAGE -Close to 100 citizens packed the D Street Neighborhood Center last Thursday night to see what they could do to reclaim their neighborhood.

In the aftermath of the alleged Sept. 20 sexual assault on a child going to school, long-simmering problems the classic Arcata neighborhood have risen to the surface, with residents demanding more resources and better police ser-

"We're here to listen to you WESTWOOD \* A4







#### **\$** ELECTION 2016

# Tax measures up for vote in November election

#### **Daniel Mintz**

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – New taxes could emerge in the wake of the Nov. 8 election, as Humboldt County and its cities grasp for funding to keep up with and expand essential services.

But increasing revenue is only part of the equation. The county is also seeking to improve efficiency through departmental consolidation

#### Measures Q and R

The county proposes to create a new department, the Office of the Director of Finance, by consolidating the auditor-controller and treasurer-tax collector offices and responsibilities into a single department with one leader.

A related measure, Measure R, asks whether the Director of Finance should be a position chosen by voters or appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

The new department and its elected head would not become effective until January 2019, as the auditor-controller and treasurer-tax collector positions are both elected and don't expire until then.

The consolidation is being promoted as a means of easing the burdens on two small departments that struggle to keep up with increasing amounts of work.

The measure's opponents include the current auditor-con-

troller and treasurer-tax collector along with the county's clerk recorder. They authored the ballot argument against the measure, which asserts that "effectiveness and efficiency often suffer due to the dilution of administrator operational awareness."

The ballot argument in favor of the measure proclaims that "doing more with less is the new reality for government in Humboldt County, and Yes on Q is a necessary move in that direction."

#### Measure S

The county is seeking to levy an excise tax on marijuana cultivation, with rates of \$1 per square foot for outdoor grows in unincorporated areas, \$2 per square foot for mixed light grows and \$3 per square foot for indoor grows.

The rates were debated as county supervisors formulated them. At first, they were significantly higher but even the lower rates proposed in the measure are opposed by many growers, particularly small-scale growers. The argument in favor of the measure - whose authors include Sheriff Mike Downey and Undersheriff Bill Honsal – describes it as a means of ensuring that marijuana growers "pay their fair share to protect our public safety, health and our county's wildlife, natural resources and beauty."

But Kent Sawatsky of the Humboldt Taxpayers League,

signing the rebuttal argument as a "concerned citizen," argues that the measure's claims of funding specific services are false because once collected, the tax revenues can generally be spent at the discretion of the Board of Supervisors.

#### Measure U

Advanced by the Humboldt County Association of Governments, essentially the county and all its cities, Measure U proposes to catch up on ever-increasing road repair backlogs by adding a half-cent to local sales taxes.

The revenue — estimated at \$20 million over the next 20 years — will be used for road work in addition to airport service retention and trails and transit infrastructure maintenance.

The measure is emerging at a time when the basic task of road maintenance seems to have slipped out of reach. The county's road maintenance backlog is at \$250 million. Cities are experiencing similar struggles.

"The longer we delay fixing roads, the more expensive it becomes," states the argument in favor of the measure, which is authored by Board of Supervisors Chair Mark Lovelace, Supervisor Rex Bohn and Eureka Mayor Frank Jager. "We are on the edge of never being able to catch up."

"Although this measure is a dedicated transportation tax, lim-

ited to the maintenance of existing services, there is no assurance that roads, which have hundreds of millions of dollars in deferred maintenance, will be given priority," states the opposition argument, written by Sawatsky, who adds that the tax revenue "could, however, be spent on our constantly money-losing existing commercial air service."

## Measure V

This measure proposes approval of the Mobile Home Park Space Rent Stabilization Initiative Ordinance, whose main provision ties rent increases in mobile home parks with 10 or more spaces to the annual consumer price index.

The measure allows the county to charge a \$5 per month fee for each mobile home space to cover its costs of administrating the rent control program.

Proponents of the measure include Hilary Mosher, chair of the Humboldt Mobilehome Owners Coalition and Richard Marks of the county's Democratic Central Committee. They argue that "as the moms and pops who built our mobilehome parks age out, predatory, out-of-town corporate investors have been taking over" and "have free rein to raise rents and impose other fees."

Guntram Wolski, owner of the Thunderbird Mobile Estates park in McKinleyville, wrote the ballot's opposition argument, identifying himself as a "Humboldt County small business owner."

He argues that rents in parks are already "very reasonable," approval of the measure will result in "expensive litigation," and that the measure is overly bureaucratic and "unfair."

#### Cities seek votes

In addition to the countywide measures, residents of cities will also consider local measures.

In Arcata, the city's Utility Users Tax is up for renewal through Measure F. First approved by voters in 1996, the three percent tax on electricity, gas and other utility services provides \$900,000 in general fund revenue per year.

The income is used for public safety services and road repair. If approved, the measure will extend the tax for another eight years.

Also in the city, the Arcata School District is seeking approval of Measure H. It would renew the \$59 per parcel tax that otherwise ends in 2017. The district also seeks approval of Measure I, which would authorize sales of \$3.9 million of general obligation bonds.

Both measures are for funding education programs and facilities at Arcata Elementary School and Sunny Brae Middle School.

In Trinidad, Measure G seeks renewal of the city's three-quarter percent sales tax, which funds essential services.

# County supervisors: Emergency response fixes lack funding

#### **Daniel Mintz**

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT — Humboldt County's Board of Supervisors agrees with a Grand Jury finding that the county's headquarters for disaster response is "housed within a Cold War bomb shelter that was never intended for use as an emergency operations center" but funding is an obstacle to addressing it.

Responses to the Grand Jury's findings on disaster response infrastructure were approved at the Oct. 11 supervisors meeting. The Grand Jury's report on Humboldt's readiness for earthquakes, floods and tsunamis found "the overall condition of the Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services is in need of upgrades to better plan for the emergencies to come."

The Grand Jury recommends that the county's emergency operations center be relocated from its current location in the basement of the county courthouse. The Grand Jury also recommends that scattered emergency dispatch centers be consolidated into a single joint powers authority agency.

County Administrative Analyst Sean Quincy said the finding on the emergency response center "has merit" but "has not been implemented and will be considered when new funding is available."

Adding that there are "significant costs" involved with

relocating the center or building a new one, Quincy noted that the county already has a \$200 million facilities maintenance backlog.

He said funding issues have also challenged the dispatch consolidation proposal, which has long been considered by the Sheriff's Office.

Supervisor Ryan Sundberg attended a Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster response training event and he said the Grand Jury's findings are in line with what he learned. He said one of the "glaring things" he realized through the training is that "we aren't all in one spot and able to coordinate with Eureka and the county and all of the fire departments" during emergencies.

Sundberg added that he completely agrees with the Grand Jury's funding on the emergency center and establishing a more functional one "definitely needs to be a goal."

The other main takeaway from the training was the need for having satellite phones available, as cell phones may not work in the case of a large-scale natural disaster, Sundberg said.

ARCATA CITY COUNCIL The Arcata City

Council meets today, Oct. 19 at 6 p.m. in Ar-

cata City Council Chamber, 736 F St. Agenda

items include the flag salute; a public hearing

on unmet transit needs; an amendment to the

Arcata Municipal Code regarding flood hazard mitigation standards; donation of use of the

The Grand Jury also recommends that the county have satellite phones available. Sundberg described the Measure Z public safety sales tax as an appropriate funding mechanism.

Supervisor Estelle Fennell also attended the training event and said it is a "good goal" to consolidate emergency dispatch centers. But she added that the county's incident command system is "a good substitute in terms of being trained and knowing how to work together."

Supervisor Rex Bohn said the county nevertheless needs a centralized dispatch center. A challenge to organizing it is that "nobody wants to give up turf," he said.

He said that despite that, centralization must be pursued, he said, adding that it is "not going to be an easy discussion" and that the Grand Jury's report highlights its merit

Board Chair Mark Lovelace noted that the basement location of the county's emergency response center is becoming increasingly outdated. He said the center was established in the 1950s primarily as a bomb shelter, adding that "sea level rise wasn't really on their radar back then."

# FURNITURE ON PLAZA

The real failure is the failure to try again.

Anonymous

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Community Center for use by a community
Thanksgiving event; an update on the Little Lakes property and more.

WESTHAVEN WATER BOARD The regular monthly meeting of the Westhaven Community Services District Board of Directors will be held on today, Oct. 19 at 7:30 p.m.

at the Westhaven Fire Hall, 446 Sixth Ave. In addition to

discuss projects including the water tank, water mains and disinfection byproducts. There will also be reports from the manager. For a full agenda and more information call the district at (707) 677-0798 or email wcsd@suddenlinkmail.com.

HISTORIC LANDMARKS The Historic Landmarks

Committee meets **Thursday**, **Oct. 20** at 4 p.m. in Arcata City Council Chamber, 736 F St. Agenda items include a Wiyot/Seventh Street sign update; a Railroad Depot sign update; a Mills Act development update; an Arcata Main Street presentation on listing the Plaza on the National Historic Register; creation of a standing agenda item on pre-submittal design advice; discussion of the Old Arcata Road/Bayside corridor as a Neighborhood Conser-

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# INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

INDIGENOUS PEOPLE Arcata's Seventh Generation Fund gathered on the Plaza Monday, Oct. 10 as part of Indigenous Peoples Day, a counter-programming of Columbus Day. The fund declared the statue of President William McKinley a symbol of imperialist brutalities, and called for its removal and installation of an interpretive plaque. 7genfund.org KLH | UNION

### COUNTY SERVICES

# **Human services** task force created

**Daniel Mintz** 

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT - In an effort to improve Humboldt County's Department of Health and Human Services, the Board of Supervisors has appointed members to a Blue Ribbon Task Force that will make recommendations.

Supervisors approved the appointments at their Oct. 11 meeting. According to a written staff report, the task force will "help with a blueprint for maintaining critical services while implementing change."

Formation of the task force is one of the main recommendations from a consultant the county hired in 2015 to assess the condition of the department and suggest improvements. At the time, the county's mental health services division was in a state of crisis following staff

The task force's appointees include representatives of child welfare, mental health, tribal and education services. The appointed members include Chris Hartley, superintendent of the Northern Humboldt Union High School District, Connie Stewart of the California Center for Rural Policy, county employees union President Drew Reddon and former county Mental Health Services Director Lance Morton.

Supervisor Rex Bohn noted that all the applicants and appointees are from the Northern Humboldt area. In response to a follow-up question from Supervisor Estelle Fennell, Health and Human Services Director Connie Beck said outreach efforts to the county's outlying areas

"We're already working on decentralization and we're already increasing staff in the different areas," she said.

Beck further said the task force's work will include formation of subcommittees that can focus on specific areas of concern, such as outreach and mental health.

During a public comment session, Gina Walker of LatinoNet, a nonprofit serving Latino families, said the task force would be helped with the inclusion of members who are directly involved in providing services to the Latino community – as well as "people who are doing direct service – period."

Walker added that she is "really heartened" that subcommittees will focus on specific issues and that her group could "serve as a huge resource to the task force."

After approving the appointments, Board Chair Mark Lovelace said working on the task force is a major commitment. Thanking the applicants, he said, "This is important work."

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# **HSU** named the National Outdoor Champion

HUMBOLDT STATE

HUMBOLDT STATE - The Humboldt State University community has been named the "outdoorsiest" in the nation after winning a contest to encourage people to get outside and reconnect with nature.

The Outdoor Nation Campus Challenge asked students, faculty, staff and community members to get outside and log their activities on a mobile app. The idea was to make fresh air inclusive, to help the community understand that there's an outdoors for everyone.

Hiking, biking, kayaking, quick walks, stargazing and even hammocking earned participants points, as well as the schools they chose to represent. Humboldt State established an early lead and never looked back.

"It's a really impressive win, and I was honored to stand behind Humboldt State in their social justice apRuby Jean Garcia, HSU's Outdoor Nation student coordinator. "The most important part of this challenge was using it as an opportunity to empower students and foster their connection to nature."

Humboldt State enjoys a special relationship with nature, being nestled among the redwood trees on a rugged part of the Northern California coast.

"At Humboldt State, we're lucky to live and learn in such a beautiful natural environment," said HSU President Lisa A. Rossbacher. "That puts us in a unique position to inspire the future stewards of our planet. I'm extremely proud of the HSU community for winning this competition and, most importantly, making a statement about how important it is to experience nature."

Humboldt State had several from North Face.

proach to this competition," said high-scoring participants, including student Jordan Johnson. He earned more than 2,000 points doing up to five outdoor activities a day, making him among the highest individual point earners in the country. He's also in the running for "Outsider of the Year," which Outdoor Nation will announce soon.

> "During my time competing in the Outdoor Nation Campus Challenge I was having a blast spending quality time in Humboldt's amazing environment and it fired me up! In other words it was too lit to quit!" said Jordan.

> Humboldt State was one of 87 colleges and universities across the United States participating in the 2016 Challenge, which began Sept. 4 and ended Oct. 15.

> As a prize for being a "National Outdoor Champion," Humboldt State will receive a gear bank worth \$3,000

# City Council hopefuls explain positions

Kevin L. Hoover MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA - Four of the five candidates for the three open seats on the Arcata City Council participated in a debate sponsored by the Mad River Union, Lost Coast Outpost and KHUM

radio last week at Arcata

City Hall. Coun-Incumbent cilmembers Michael Winkler, Susan Ornelas and Paul Pitino, plus challenger Valerie Rose-Campbell answered questions posed by LoCO's Andrew Goff and Sierra Jenkins. Candidate

Daniel Murphy was unable

to attend. During introductions, Winkler said he has kept his campaign promises by improving roads, creating a rail-trail network, expanding public transportation, fully staffing the Arcata Police Department, reducing grow houses via an electricity tax, creating the Medical Marijuana Innovation Zone, helping the homeless and working on mobile home rent stabilization.

Ornelas said she worked well with people, brought the public restroom to Arcata and helped move the Bay Trail project forward.

Rose-Campbell described her background as a working-class mother who made a commitment to raise her children in Arcata, and expressed confidence in finding reasonable solutions to homelessness and other problems.

Pitino said he wants to complete a number of projects, including a dog park, a "village-style" homeless campground, a solution to mobile home rental problems and late-night bus service on weekends.

All expressed support for rent stabilization in some



FOUR CANDIDATES FOR THREE SEATS Councilmember Michael Winkler, Councilmember Susan Ornelas, citizen Valerie Rose-Campbell and Councilmember Paul Pitino. PHOTO BY ANDREW GOFF | LOST COAST OUTPOST

form, or at least a discussion process to determine what's appropriate. Ornelas called for more affordable housing of all kinds. Rose-Campbell said incomes and rental costs for all housing are out of balance. Pitino said he was hopeful that Arcata could find a solution. Winkler said getting rid of grow houses opened up the equivalent of 200 homes, and pledged to work with Arcata House Partnership to expand housing opportunities.

To relieve the local shortage of doctors, Rose-Campbell said she wanted the local lifestyle marketed to attract physicians who are culturally compatible.

Pitino called for reinstatement of Humboldt State's nursing program and recruitment of Syrian refugee doctors. Winkler suggested a combination of outreach to local students and incentives for medical personnel to move here. Ornelas said loan forgiveness and city marketing would help, and advocated for medical marijuana research.

All expressed support for Arcata's sustainable forestry program, though Rose-Campbell said the forests lack dedicated bike trails. Pitino said a small biomass program fueled by forest waste could help generate electricity. Ornelas disagreed, saying it wasn't likely to happen. Winkler said biomass could play a role in a local energy mix.

Arcata Police presence on the Plaza during Halloween and, previously, New Year's Eve was justified, Ornelas said, but needs "lighten[ing] up." Rose-Campbell said she isn't sure if it's appropriate, but that more adult Halloween activities would help re- called for keeping, but movduce Plaza abuse. Pitino said the police "spotlights" on the Plaza were counterproductive and needed toning down. Winkler agreed, and called for improved trust between citizens and police, as well as use of police body cams. Pitino agreed.

All lamented the disregard for smoking, drinking and dog laws on the Plaza. Ornelas said the laws came about as a response to abuse. Rose-Campbell said a dog park would reduce dogs' presence. Pitino said "gentle communication" would help. Winkler said the laws are useful as an enforcement tool.

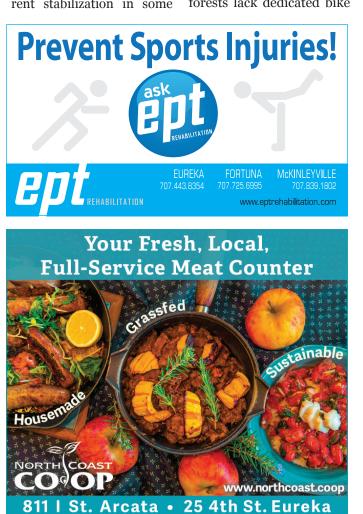
All said the Plaza would be improved by reducing misbehavior. Rose-Campbell said it isn't family-friendly, and called for more rehabilitation services. Pitino wanted smoking and drinking reduced, while Winkler called for more cooperation with Community Pride & Peace to "re-occupy the Plaza." Ornelas said opioid addiction is taking a toll, and hoped for healing from the historic violence against Native Americans.

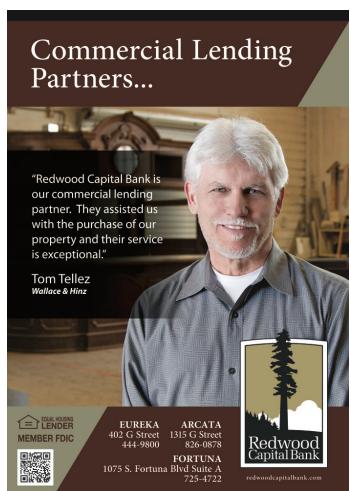
During a "lightning round," Ornelas and Pitino ing the McKinley statue.

Regarding community water fluoridation, Ornelas wants "conversation," Pitino opposes it and Winkler likes it. The candidates consensed that tomatoes are a fruit, not a vegetable. Rose-Campbell claimed that tomatoes are "delicious."

As to whether councilmembers should the truth, all agreed that they should. Pitino and Rose-Campbell are voting for Jill Stein for president, while Winkler and Ornelas are voting for Hillary Clinton.

Hear more issues discussed at the debate at lostcoastoutpost.com/2016/ oct/13/arcata-city-council-debate





# Ignore jury duty at your own peril

**Jack Durham** MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT - If you ignore a jury summons in Humboldt County, you'll be getting a phone call from the Superior Court instructing you to show up on a specific date. And if that doesn't work, you might be visited by a Sheriff's deputy who will personally escort you to the courthouse.

Faced with a dismal turnout from those who receive jury summons, the Superior

Court changed the way it deals with potential jurors earlier this month. According the court, only about 25 percent of those who are summoned for jury duty actually show up. On Wednesday, Oct. 12, the turnout was even worse, with only 75 out of 600 of those summoned showing up. That's an appearance rate of 12.5 percent.

Now if you don't show up in court when summoned, you will get a phone call and you'll need to check in with the court over a period of five days to see if you are needed.

"Jurors are directed to call in to determine if they are needed," stated Kim M. Bartleson, court executive officer, in an interview. "If needed, they report as directed. If they are not needed they call in the next day, and each subsequent day, throughout the five-day period."

The court also has another option it can use to get jurors to the courthouse – a personal escort courtesy the Humboldt Countv Sheriff's Office.

The court "may issue an order directing the Sheriff to escort individuals to the

courthouse for jury service and/or may issue an order to show cause for appearance at a court hearing," stated the press release.

So what happens if a deputy comes to your house and you refuse to cooperate? "That would be a matter that a judge would address," Bartleson said.

Under California law, a person who refused to report to jury duty could face a fine as high as \$1,500.

"To date, the deputies have not had to escort jurors to the courthouse. I am hopeful that this will not have to occur," Bartleson said.

# **Ball Park** | A concert venue

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may be in place by the time the Crabs' 76th season rolls around, but it's likely that the Arcata Ball Park will be a much-improved place by then. That's because the city is embarking on a major overhaul of the place, one which began in earnest last week.

The city has hired MIG planning consultants to scope out possible improvements to the park and create initial plans. At last Wednesday's Parks & Rec Committee meeting, landscape architect Matthew Gaber took suggestions about improvements and new features for the ball park. Committeemembers had a lot of ideas.

Gaber aims to make the most of the old ball park, maximizing its potential as a destination, an integral part of downtown and, not inconsiderably, its neglected economic potential.

Present at the meeting were Carl Pellatz and Larry Zerlang of the Humboldt Crabs, who pledged the organization's support. They noted that the team only uses the ball park 60 days out of the year, and that there's untapped potential for other uses and users during the off season. "What's good for the field is good for the Crabs," Zerlang said. "Our big concern is to make sure we can take care of the fans."

Pellatz didn't bristle at any of the many improvements suggested for the park – quite the opposite. "The Crabs don't object to any other uses," he said. "Anything the city can come up with is fine."

He and Zerlang said the Crabs have added a ticket surcharge to help fund improvements, and will support the process financially.

"We're going to be here for the money part, too," Pellatz assured the group.

Committeemembers and Crabbies alike weren't shy about listing the venerable park's shortcomings. The bleachers suck, for one, probably because they're a "temporary" installation from 35 years ago. The dugouts are crude, and ball players from home and visiting teams have but one bathroom to use.

Committeemembers said the entrance is depressing and "feels like a cage." Accessibility is poor, and there's nowhere to park your bike. The Judo Hut needs an overhaul and some kind of creative reprogramming.

Ideas for both physical improvements and expanded uses - some rather fanciful – flew freely. Among

- a bike valet;
- a beer garden (and fes-
- better concession areas;

tival); · child care;

- a restaurant in the Judo Hut – or a Crabs museum and office;
- better utilization of the grassy areas off left and right fields;
  - added entrances;
- movies and plays in the
- folding bleachers on F Street to expand capacity;
- food trucks
- more use by Humboldt State and other community institutions, and more.

Zerlang suggested "luxury boxes" for Crabs fans, and said that "a Jumbotron would be nice," earning some laughs. But, said Pellatz, "Our number one priority is fixing the bleachers, and fixing them yesterday." The new bleachers are designed to prevent fans from dropping their litter underneath.

The city agrees, since better bleachers could improve attendance, which in turn creates the additional

**BETTER BALL PARK Landscape Architect Matthew** Gaber discusses Arcata Ball Park improvements with Humboldt Crabs representatives Carl Pellatz and Larry Zerlang.

revenue needed for subsequent upgrades. That's why a phased implementation process is planned.

The bleachers and entrance get redone first, because they'll have to be done together. Next, the side-field play, special event areas and dugouts, and finally, the snack bars and finishing up the entrance.

But before that, Gaber and MIG have a lot more work to do. There will be a study of the ball park's current in-

frastructure and discussions with stakeholders, developing programming ideas and eventually, a return to the Parks and Rec Committee with some conceptual plans. Once those are critiqued, Gaber will develop rough designs and bring them back yet again for more scoping. This process will continue into next year.

"It's a very complex puzzle to weave all together," Gaber said, plainly relishing the challenge.

# **Harbor** | Zoning change still needed

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businesses are already operating at the site and the district is optimistic that more will come.

The accomplishments, as well as the site's future potential, were celebrated during a grand opening ceremony Friday, Oct. 14, with a Who's Who of local government dignataries on hand to speechify and chow down on local oysters and pepperoni

The dignataries praised the harbor district for its work to save the site, which it purchased for \$1 in 2013. The acquisition was controversial, and not without risks. But doing nothing, noted Third District had its own consequences.

"The risk of inaction was greater than the risk of action," Wilson said during an impromptu tour of the facilities before the official ceremony.

The pulping liquors posed a major threat to the bay, he said. Had they not been cleaned up, the aging silos they were stored in could have failed and dumped the sludge into the bay, decimating wildife and damaging the shellfish industry.

Also, had the district not obtained the site, the facilities would have continued to crumble and degrade, and the community could have lost valuable industrial infrastructure.

Besides the buildings and the docks, Redwood Marine Terminal II also includes a 60 kv power substation and an unused 23 MG boiler capable of producing enough power to supply electricity to roughly 25,000 homes.

The Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District water supply, which is utlimately fed by Ruth Lake in Trinity County, is capable of providing 60,000 gallons of untreat-Supervisor-elect Mike Wilson, would have ed fresh water to the site, an amount that Wilson said is significantly more than just about any potential industrial user could possibly consume. The site also has a water filtration plant capable of treating 30,000 gallons a day.

Among the businesses operating now on the waterfront is Taylor Mariculture, which uses floating docks at the marine terminal to grow clam and oyster seeds. Wilson said

that the company, which takes advantage of the bay's pristine waters, will soon be the largest seed nursery on the West Coast. There are also an electrical company and some shipping companies onsite.

One of the small companies operating Redwood Marine Terminal II is Pacific Flake, which produces what it calls "artisan salt," that is "pure and natural sea salt formed by fire evaporation" with no additives or preservatives. See pacificflake.com for more information.

According to Wilson, who is on the harbor commission and will become a county supervisor in January, several other companies have expressed an interest in leasing buildings at the site. Some of them are local, and some are from out of the county,

The problem is the zoning. Much of the pulp mill site, as well as many other areas around Humboldt Bay, are zoned for coastal-dependent uses. That means that businesses must be dependent on being next to the water to operate. Even the old pulp mills would be out of compliance with this zoning if they existed today. So if a new company such as a wood pellet manufacturer wants to locate at the site, it cannot,

even though the company may use barges to haul supplies.

Addressing a crowd that gathered in an otherwise empty warehouse Friday, Wilson said, "The reason we don't have people in this room right now, a business operating this moment, is because we have some outdated land use policies that our community is trying to deal with."

The County of Humboldt has applied to the California Coastal Commission to allow what is called "interim uses" in these zones. That would allow non-coastal dependent businesses to operate on waterfront sites, including the former pulp mill

Jack Crider, chief executive officer of the harbor district, said that the issue will likely go before the state commission early next year.

Crider and others at the event spoke postively about the industrial site's future.

Assemblymember Jim Wood (D-Healdsburg), said in an interview that the refurbished facility is a "huge opportunity.

"We're going to have a future of sustainable jobs, repurposing an amazing site, and I think this is just the tip of the iceberg," Wood said.

# **Westwood** | Residents launch their own initiative

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cilmember Mark Wheetlev.

City Manager Karen Diemer divided attendees into three focus groups – two centered on public safety and one on public works. A slew of city officials were on hand to answer questions and provide information.

The two biggest groups were those centered on public safety. Arcata Police Chief Tom Chapman headed up one, while Lt. Bart Silvers led another. Also present was Volunteer Coordinator Ginger Campbell, who helps organize Neighborhood Watch groups.

Crime-weary Westwooders weren't shy in relating their frustrations. They complained of slow police response; the multiple drug house "trouble spots" that make noise, look messy, attract sleazy people into the 'hood and generally degrade the area; and loiterers and other dubious folk about at all hours.

One man suggested a mass vigil in front of the drug houses. In his scenario, neighbors would gather in front of the houses and let visitors know that they were being

Chapman said that the Arcata Police Department is limited to actions that are constitutional and would stand up in court. He pointed out that police can't tell anyone who to consort with in their own homes, nor the times at which they can do so.

Chapman acknowledged that thanks to the state's "realignment" of inmates, where state prisoners were transferred to local jails and all but violent criminals and suspects were released, "there are more offenders in the streets than ever before." Many have drug habits, which correlate strongly with burglaries. Add mental health issues to the mix, and you have today's scary street situation in Westwood and elsewhere in Arcata and Humboldt.

Chapman and Campbell outlined effective ways to call in complaints to police, describing do's and don'ts for effective response.

At the public works table, city staffers went over various improvement projects intended to improve circulation in

the neighborhood, which could help to draw mainstream citizens out and harsh away ill-intentioned loiterers.

There are two Neighborhood Watch groups in Westwood, and sign-up sheets were available for more participants. However, despite the dozens of attendees, no one volunteered – not a single signature was obtained.

That may be because the Westwooders have their own new initiative – a Community Safety Partnership Program. The new group, described as a "task force" in an online petition available at change.org, that would pursue crime prevention through stronger ties between law enforcement and citizens and ongoing cooperation to address neighborhood trouble spots.



**WORKING TOGETHER** Arcata Police officers meet with residents to help solve problems in their neighborhood. KLH | UNION

The petition, available at change.org/p/arcata-city-council-establish-a-community-safety-partnership-program-for-arcata, states:

Many Arcata residents view the recent attack of a 12-year-old girl on her way to school as emblematic of rising crime in Arcata and feel this incident calls attention to the need for improved police responsiveness, public safety, and quality of life measures. While city planners are committed to making Arcata more walkable and bikeable, we insist equal importance must be placed on making these new public spaces and pathways safe for the neighborhoods they serve.

We have a critical moment of opportunity to preserve and improve the quality of life in our community.

We, the citizens of Arcata, petition the Arcata City Council to establish a Community Safety Partnership Program. The formation of a public-private partnership between city management, police officers and Arcata residents will encourage a more holistic collaboration for safer neighborhoods and a more engaged community. Such a joint action committee will bring greater alignment across sectors, as diverse stakeholders work side-by-side to adopt a collective set of priorities; develop, implement and maintain sustainable programs; eradicate crime; and address quality of life issues. In particular, this task force should seek to:

- 1. Create a dynamic interface between city management, police and Arcata residents;
- 2. Work cooperatively to identify priorities for infrastructural and personnel improvements to school
- 3. Ensure the maintenance of existing and new public space and pathway infrastructure;
- 4. Fast-track priority projects such as path clearing, lighting and painting; path chaperones and walking school buses; signage installation; implementation of traffic calming measures; redirection of unsafe paths and crosswalks; and expansion of community watch networks;
- 5. Identify and coordinate grant applications for infrastructural improvements and staffing adjustments;
- 6. Identify criminal hot spots in our neighborhoods, particularly along school corridors;
- 7. Enlist and coordinate volunteer participation;
- 8. Coordinate community policing programs and train citizens in proper reporting processes; 9. Identify and support other crisis response services,
- such as mental health services;
- 10. Advance the city's goal to increase the "use of technology to improve resident engagement and to make vital information easily accessible," as stated by Sofia Periera on the city's website.

# PUBLIC SAFET

# Release the hounds, the mounds of litter, the pee, the cig smoke and other reverse-delights

• Thursday, September 15 9:20 a.m. Trimmigrant hordes and their fancifully crap-landscaped residential buses infested various locations, like Ericson Way ...

**9:51 a.m.** ... And Ninth and J streets.

11:59 a.m. A Fifth Street business reported four people harassing its dog. First they threatened the dog with a stick, then took to throwing garbage over a fence at it.

#### 12:24 p.m.

A Plaza professional office Had less than a quantum of solace As someone not far Played electric guitar Till the rock 'round the block

was too raucous. 1:02 p.m. A dog walker's spiritual communion with his pooch was off limits for the afternoon, as their preferred strolling grounds – the back of a Uniontown shopping center - was a scene of literally unbridled, roaming traveler-dogs.

3:43 p.m. A large linger of loitering loungeabouts blocked the eastern side of downtown H Street's sidewalk, encumbering professional activity.

**9:35 p.m.** A massive mound of milling mendicants blocked the western side of H Street, impairing donut acquisition.

 Saturday, September 17 **1:46 p.m.** A guy gave a guy a ride to Reggae on the River, his generosity rewarded by the hitcher stealing a drum, video camera and other miscellany from his car. **3:06 p.m.** A woman under the influence of something other than sunshine and fresh air pushed a stroller along 12th Street, leaving a trail of trash in her wake as she headed for the perma-party in progress at the train tracks.

**4:52 p.m.** A woman at a Valley West motel heard her son tell his girlfriend to stop hitting him. He then drove away bloodied and with a swollen lip as she left on

**6:07 p.m.** Hippies and dogs ran loose near their motorhome at Fifth and E streets, annoying area residents.

7:48 p.m. See item above.

 Sunday, September 18 2:19 a.m. For the second time that night, a hardy group of peak baggers inserted themselves atop a Northtown erotic supply shop. It wasn't clear how they mounted the building.

3:11 a.m. A backpack-equipped man screamed at residents of Anina Way at handcuff-meriting

4:40 a.m. When an Alliance Road mini-mart official asked an elderly woman in a bulky jacket to leave over some unspecified issue, the lady misheard that as "throw groceries all over the floor and head south down the street." **12:32 p.m.** A woman reported an assault by a man in brightly colored clothing at Ninth and H streets.

1:22 p.m. A man in a blue bandana howled at random passersby from the micro-amphitheatre of a vacant H Street shop's recessed alcove. It's unlikely his canine companion endorsed this

1:33 p.m. The man in Valley West had no choice but to to yell at passersby - how else would the deranged blithering be heard over the noise of the car wash?

**3:13 p.m.** The villain in this drama wore the requisite black hat plus matching T-shirt to complete the bad-guy ensemble. After stealing a bag of potato chips at a Uniontown store, this self-styled Prince of Darkness & Crispy Goodness sauntered crinkily away down Fifth Street.

3:51 p.m. The larceny level graduated from mere salty snacks to car wash accessories with the End of Days sealed when the theft gee was disclosed.

**5:19 p.m.** Where old school buses park, like behind a Uniontown store, dogs roam, litter sprouts and infractions multiply.

**5:20 p.m.** After a guy checked out of a Valley West motel, he went out to the parking lot and found that his girlfriend and the truck they drove there were both gone. Like she done up and left or something.

 Monday, September 19 **5:39 a.m.** Yelled obscenities and screaming emanated from the bleating pie-hole of a camouflaged man making his way loudly up G Street. Perhaps his jungle-boogie garments aided in eluding police.

**12:01 p.m.** The Yellow Hell-Bus brought its multimedia blight vortex to Ninth and J streets, releasing the hounds, the mounds of litter, the pee, the cig smoke and other reverse-delights.

**3:33 p.m.** A woman with long, gray hair threw rocks at a car on Grotzman Road for not the first

**3:55 p.m.** Two guys in a green van with Texas plates collected bits of timber felled by PG&E 'neath the power lines at the Margaret Lane entrance to the Arcata Ridge Trail.

• Tuesday, September 20 **7:26 a.m.** A little preliminary screaming just to greet the day in Redwood Park.

7:44 a.m. The first call came in about Dylan Jackson Wilson and his syringe on the walkway above Cahill Park.

10:34 a.m. Ye Olde Yellow Hell-Bus popped up at Fifth and F streets, trash swirling freely around and underneath it. The occupants were said to be drunk and noisy every night, living life to its fullest and seizing the day if not the garbage.

1:52 p.m. A failing smoke detector beeped in anguish at an Alliance Road apartment until 18 hours later, a neighbor marshalled whatever vestiges of sanity remained and called police.

**4:48 p.m.** A tall man in a black hat was confronted in the act of cutting a lock off a bike on 18th Street. He was last seen among the dumpsters by an erotic supply shop, the bike brigand's orange-handled knife dangling in a holder on his right hip, buccaneer-style.

7:33 p.m. When a Janes Road resident wouldn't let people stay at her house, they assaulted her, stole her cell phone, and ran their blue Jeep over her foot.

11:43 p.m. A one-man MENSA convention was caught rummaging through a woman's unlocked car on M Street. He fled in an orange sweatshirt, helpfully leaving behind a notebook with his phone number.

• Wednesday, September 21 3:07 a.m. When custodial staff opened a Ninth Street building for wee-hour cleaning, a woman in matching green skirt and shirt came in and took to riding the elevator up and down, having so much fun she refused to leave.

9:13 a.m. A citizen documented multiple people camping illegally in Shay Park in innovative fashion – by sketching them. The drawing was scanned into the incident report. APD declined to release the sketch on grounds of confidentiality.

**4:51 p.m.** A man using some sort of torch near an oil container behind the fire station was unlikely to go unnoticed or unreported.

• Thursday, September 22 9:20 a.m. A Valley West laundromat came under attack by some sort of anti-laundry activist whose armamentarium included pee, deposited near the back door, and the savaging of a candy machine.

of a Valley West squee- 10:47 a.m. A high school student hit a teacher and fled the campus.

• Friday, September 23 10:20 a.m. After a wallet was stolen in Samoa, the thief went on a wild shopping spree, ringing up a \$3 charge on a credit card at an Arcata gas station.

2:40 p.m. A man seen tampering with a girls' bike at the transit center was arrested.

 Saturday, September 23 **2:10 a.m.** A man at 14th and Union streets let loose with a string of \*%\*#\$&s, filling area residents' dreams with his saucy-perfervid floccinaucinihilipilification. 2:50 a.m. A cell phone was stolen at a party at 18th and H streets. It was tracked to an address two blocks away, where the presumed perp was confronted. He punched one of the victim's friends, so they called police.

**3:52 a.m.** A 16th Street resident who'd been evicted was heard to say that that he'd blast music to keep neighbors awake, and followed through with the bassheavy mission of vengeance.

**10:40 a.m.** The residents in two camper vans on 11th Street repurposed a nearby building as a urinal.

**5:50 p.m.** A 14-year-old girl received a suspicious phone call from a male on a blocked line. He left a voice mail with personal details about the girl.

**6:46 p.m.** A beggar who had exhausted his budget on a jug o' vodka parked himself in front of a Valley West dollar store and took to swiggin' and aggressively importunin' the passersby. Swig, importune, swig, importune this was his system.

11:23 p.m. A man out front of a Plaza store offered an impressive, near-balletic display of coordination as he yelled (of course) and kicked at the air.

11:41 p.m. A man, his shopping cart, tarp and anger issues created unneeded problems for passersby and a Valley West golden arches.

• Sunday, September 25 2:50 **a.m.** After her roommate pulled her hair and threatened her and her friend, a woman retreated to the safety of her bedroom and called police.

2:50 p.m. A man with a "faux hawk" hairdo waved a crowbar around at Eighth and H streets. The Nohican was arrested on a public drunkenness charge.

**5:25 p.m.** A disturbed-seeming man vehemently argued with

himself near Redwood Park. 7:36 p.m. A Valley West apartment complex manager shot a skunk but didn't quite kill it. The injured animal was reported clinging to life in a trap in a back courtyard area.

8:57 p.m. A man who has an "ongoing issue" with people who live nearby heard his door handles jiggling as the neighbor-nemeses tried to get into his place.

11:37 p.m. A man on G Street screamed nonsensically (in contrast to the sensible screaming we're accustomed to) on G Street, and refused to quiet down.

11:52 p.m. G Street's own Captain Nonsense erupted again.

 Monday, September 26 **8:18 a.m.** A skateboarder who collided with a car in Redwood Park three days previous went in for a CAT scan.

**10:43 a.m.** Two men set up a tent in grassy Stewart Park, where they enjoyed a smoke.

**11:03 a.m.** A driver blew through a stop sign on Alliance Road, shouting out the window, "I have no brakes!"

11:10 a.m. A person showed up at the downtown fire station, reporting an assault and bike theft in Redwood Park the previous

11:12 a.m. A man and his pet hypodermic needle enjoyed the great outdoors, sitting in the middle of a marsh trail.



WHAT TO DO Earthquake preparedness rehearsal is Thursday, Oct. 20 at 10:20 a.m.

# Prepare for the Big One

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT - Millions of people worldwide will practice how to Drop, Cover, and Hold On Thursday, Oct 20 at 10:20 a.m. during Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drills, which began in California in 2008. The drill is held annually on the third Thursday of October.

The 2016 ShakeOut drill will be the largest preparedness event in world history. To participate fully in the event, go to ShakeOut.org/ register and pledge your family, school, business or organization's participation in the drill. As of this writing, over 35,000 participants had registered in Humboldt County.

According to Living on Shaky Ground, a free earthquake and tsunami readiness guide published by Humboldt State, nearly 40 earthquakes of magnitude six or larger have affected Northern California in the past 150 years. Most of these earthquakes were centered on faults nearby. But very large earthquakes located elsewhere in the Pacific basin, like the 1964 magnitude 9.2 Alaska earthquake, can generate tsunamis that threaten our coast. The North Coast is the most tsunami-prone area of the continental United States.

The annual drill is designed to bring awareness to the steps everyone can take to increase their preparedness, stay safe, and recover during the next big event. Whether you have registered to participate or not, at the minimum practice "Drop, Cover, and Hold On" at the specified time. It is only a one-minute commitment for something that can save your life.

Thursday at 10:20 a.m., all participants should all drop to the ground or floor, cover themselves by getting under a table or desk (or if outside protect their heads with their arm), and hold on for 60 seconds. Drop, cover, and hold.

The Humboldt State community will take part in the earthquake drill. Geoscience students in the HSU Geology Department have been working with Sunny Brae Middle School students and the campus community to increase earthquake preparation awareness and participation in the Great ShakeOut.

On Thursday, the Sunny Brae sixth graders will visit the HSU campus to see the campus seismograph, learn about rocks and minerals, and spend some time learning about earthquake safety. They will also participate in the Great ShakeOut on the Redwood Bowl.

For more information, tips, and resources for earthquake preparedness, safety and recovery visit shakeout.org. More information is also available at the Humboldt Earthquake Education Center at humboldt.edu/shakyground or by calling (707) 826-6019.

# Grant to enhance road safety

EUREKA POLICE DEPARTMENT find include:

EUREKA – The Eureka Police Department has been awarded a \$70,000 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) for a year-long program of special enforcements and public awareness efforts to prevent traffic related deaths and injuries. Eureka Police will use the funding as part of the city's ongoing commitment to keep our roadways safe and improve the quality of life through both enforcement and

education. After falling to a ten year low in 2010, the number of persons killed has climbed nearly 17 percent across the state with 3,176 killed in 2015 according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Particularly alarming is the six-year rise in pedestrian and bicycle fatalities, along with the growing dangers of distracting technologies, and the emergence of drug-impaired driving as a major problem. This grant funding will provide opportunities to combat these and other devastating problems such as drunk driving, speeding and crashes at intersections.

Activities that the grant will

- DUI checkpoints;
- DUI saturation patrols; • bicycle and pedestrian safety enforcement;
- · motorcycle safety enforcement;
- · distracted driving enforcement;
- · seat belt and child safety seat enforcement;
- · speed, red light, and stop sign enforcement; · warrant service operations
- targeting multiple DUI offenders;
- · compilation of DUI "Hot Sheets," identifying worst-ofthe-worst DUI offenders;
- · specialized DUI and drugged driving training;
- · court "sting" operations to cite individuals driving from DUI court after ignoring their license suspension or revocation;
- · stakeout operations to observe the "worst-of-the-worst" repeat DUI offender probationers with suspended or revoked driver licenses.

Funding for this program is from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND MENTAL ILLNESS NAMI Humboldt (National Alliance on Mental Illness) and the League of Women Voters of Humboldt County have partnered to present a panel discussion by local officials on the role played by the criminal justice system in dealing with individuals with mental illness. Speakers will include District Attorney Maggie Fleming, Chief Probation Officer Bill Damiano, Public Defender Kevin Robinson and a representative from Humboldt County Behavioral Health. NAMI's national webpage cites a study showing that the U.S. Department of Justice finds that more than 64 percent of local jail inmates, 56 percent of state prisoners and 45 percent of federal prisoners have symptoms of serious mental illnesses. Whatever the actual numbers, they are sure to be significant and point to the need for solutions that address the mental health of individuals who become involved with the criminal justice system. The discussion will be held at the United Congregational Christian Church, 900 Hodgson, at the intersection of J Street and Hodgson in Eureka, **Wednesday**, **Nov. 2** from 7 to 9 p.m. The event is free and plenty of parking is available. For more information about NAMI and the League of Women Voters, visit nami-humboldt.org and lwvhc.org.

# **Trail** | Concerns about eco-damage, lack of public process with 'pirate' project

FROM A1

doesn't appear on official Community Forest maps, the "pirate" trail was left in place by the city, and apparently users took that as tacit permission to extend it further.

But on discovering the new trail, the city uninstalled it by adding obstructions and covering it, making it un-bikeable. The Environmental Services Department then started getting emails from forest users asking why the trail had been "decommissioned." But having been created entirely outside public process, it had never been commissioned.

According to citizen and mountain biker Bill Lydgate, who attended the meeting, the new trail has been in place since at least this summer.

As to why the builders didn't work with the forest committee and city on getting it established, he speculated that "they didn't want to wallow in red tape and possibly were encouraged by the adoption by the city of the previous 'pirate' section of 13. That section is anecdotally called Lower 13 and is iconic. The pirate Lower 13 trail also has great flow and goes through a redwood snag. The city subsequently invested time and materials in improving drainage."

Lydgate said the individuals who built the trail are regarded as "folk heroes" in the mountain bike community.

But Andre and the forest committee regard the trailbuilders as vandals who have damaged public property and created a host of other problems. An Arcata Police Department investigation is underway, Andre said.

Mountain biking advocates at the meeting, some of them members of the Redwood Coast Mountain Bike Association, defended the new trail. One said it fixed a "dysfunction iunction" at the intersection of the Lower 13 trail and Trail 12, and that "logistically, it makes a lot of sense."

Bike association Vice Chair Sean Tetrault said the new trail is a result of demand for new trails not being met. He said single-track, that is, narrow and bike-optimized trails such as the new one, draw off bikers from multi-use trails and reduce user conflicts, just as the Arcata Skate Park helped give skaters a place to do their thing, reducing destructive skating in public places.

"You can create a pressure valve, and hopefully see less conflict," Tetrault said.

But forest committee members calmly roared back at the assembled cyclists with frank and dead serious admonitions.

"It sort of pisses me off," said normally soft-spoken fish biologist Dennis Halligan. He said illegal trails sometimes cause erosion and loss of habitat, and asked that the advocates go through the public process. "We're asking user groups to police themselves and their community," he said. The city has numerous user groups whose needs it tries to meet and reconcile, Halligan said, and continued cooperation is "incumbent on maintaining good will. Stand up and go through the process."

Hydrologist Danny Hagans said the forest committee embraces suggestions, but has to fit new forest features in with everything else that's happening out there. "We've always been open to suggestions, but we have to do environmental review," Hagans said. "The forest is compromised already. It's public property, and there are lots of pressures for more use."

Andre said he and the forest committee are always interested in suggestions, but is mindful of cumulative impacts. "That's the essence of a community-owned forest," he said, adding that the committee would "focus on proposals that don't fragment it more "

Fragmentation by criss-crossing the forest with excessive trails, he said, reduces habitat values and impedes wildlife recovery in the forest.

Lydgate suggested that, with the separate Jacoby Creek Forest's robust habitat values, perhaps the Community Forest's emphasis on wildlife could be reduced in order to allow more trails. He noted multiple benefits of the new trail as described in a petition (see below) that has gained more than 100 signatures. He said some of the mountain bikers are "ticked off" at the new trail's removal.

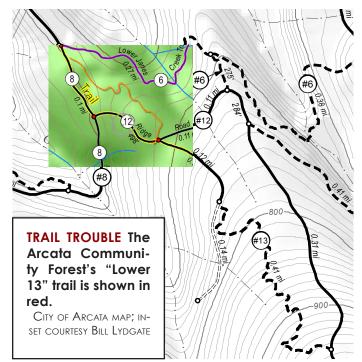
Andre acknowledged that "it may have merit" and that "it wasn't the worst place for a trail," but that long-term planning has to be done. Trails require maintenance, and that has to be factored into budgets.

get hurt on a trail not built to professional standards," he said. "Trails without signs lead to confusion, too."

Another is environmental impact, and not just on wildlife. That results from "gouging" trails through areas which have been replanted, as happened in this case - newly planted conifers, Andre said, were "trashed" during the trail's construction.

Having enthusiasts carve new trail extensions "willy nilly" has a chilling effect on adjacent landowners who are always mindful of privacy and property values, and whose cooperation is essential to forest improvement and expansion. "Trespass trails onto the ACF [Arcata Community Forest] and illicit trail building within the ACF negatively impacts our ongoing discussions with adjacent private landowners and land managers to create more riding opportunities in and around Arcata," Andre said.

The illegal trails set back other improvements, Andre



asserted. "To decommission a trail takes away from building new trails," he said, because city and volunteer work parties have to be drawn away from planned projects to fix the damage. "It subtracts," he said. "It doesn't help."

He likened the new trail to the kind of "free-for-all" trailbuilding that has gone on for years in the Forsyth property, which has created widespread erosion and habitat degradation there. The Sunny Brae Tract, he noted, "was a maze of trespass trails when the city acquired it in November 2006, with considerable forest understory and watershed impacts apparent."

Andre said Arcata Police are investigating the illegal trail and that his department will help, possibly with use of wildlife cameras to capture images of the "folk hero" perpetrators. But he doubts that will be necessary. "Somebody is going to tell us who it is," he said. "We get a lot of information on activities out there." Those responsible, he said, will be identified and possibly banned from the Community Forest for five years.

He said illegal trailbuilding is no different than people "installing statues on the Plaza" without going through a public process. "I don't know of any park or national forest that would tolerate that," he said.

The incursion is also regrettable, Andre said, in that it a bear. creates division between the city and the mountain bike community. "We don't want a confrontation with a user group that's been a big ally, and have a battle over stupid things like this," he said.

Andre said the committee isn't a red tape bureaucracy. "It's not like it's some remote, Washington, DC process," he said. "We're all about creating opportunities for fun."

Added Andre, "We are adding single track flow trail to the steep ART [Arcata Ridge Trail] section of rocked road north of the ACF boundary to make it easier to climb, more fun to descend and less potential for conflicts between user groups."

# The 'Adopt Lower Trail 13' petition

The following is the petition promoted by mountain bike enthusiasts, available at ipetitions.com/petition/ adopt-lower-trail-13:

Please adopt into the city trail network the un-sanctioned portion of Trail 13 in the Community Forest that the city recently decommissioned. This section of trail has the potential to enhance the recreational experience in the Community Forest and is an asset to the trail system. Here are five reasons to adopt this section of trail:

- Connectivity: This section of trail naturally augments the Ridge Trail by providing a high quality single-track alternative to the existing forest roads.
- Low environmental impact: There are no drainage, stream crossing or wetland issues. Impacts to the environment are minimal as it traverses through a recently harvested unit. The trail is located in a portion of the forest that is already influenced by roads, so has minimal impact on forest integrity and habitat fragmentation.
- Improves safety: Sinuous single-track trails naturally control bike speed when compared to riding on haul roads, especially in this case where the single-track trail bypasses the awkward intersection of roads 12 & 8. Every mountain

kill future mountain bike trailbuilding is to have someone bike on the single-track alternative is one less bike on the forest road, reducing the potential for conflict between user groups.

- Flow: This trail follows the backbone of the ridge that divides Janes and Jolly Giant creeks and tracks the ground topography. This trail segment has natural flow.
- · Low long-term maintenance costs: This segment of trail does not need to be rocked and can have a natural surface. Labor costs may be defrayed by community volunteer work days.

#### **Positive developments**

Some quick catch-up on some ongoing forest matters:

• The forest is expanding. The city is adding 20 acres as part of the \$240,000 Lima Property acquisition, paid for entirely with grants. Another three-plus acres which will remain privately held has been rezoned as residential, allowing the owner to develop it for housing.

The city considers this a good bargain, since it both protects a significant chunk of forestland which otherwise could have been developed, while allowing creation of housing, which Arcata always needs, on a smaller area.

• Two acres of the privately owned, 58.5-acre Forsyth Property located east of Humboldt State University are also being added, with 50 acres more to follow in a twostep process. The \$65,000 initial purchase "buys time" to acquire the rest, according to Andre. He said there is potential for one or two miles of new trail in Forsyth.

Andre said that Forsyth acquisition is "stretching" the budget, since a costly survey and appraisal must be done on the remaining acreage before it can be acquired. The effort was helped substantially by a \$10,000 donation to Arcata Forest Fund, made by citizen Alex Stillman.

The Forsyth and Lima properties and Stillman's donation all appear on this week's Arcata City Council Consent Calendar agenda, where they may be formally accepted.

• The \$180,000 Jolly Giant Dam project is about 75 percent finished. A large new pipe has been installed 15 feet below the dam's crest to safely handle as much as a 500year storm event.

The old spillway on the south side of the dam will be lined with "shotcrete," a substance sprayed at high velocity onto surfaces to stabilize slopes. That work will have to wait until next year, when things dry up.

The old Arcata Water Co. dam used to hold back a reservoir that provided the city's water supply. Along with improved safety by reducing the chance of a dam overflow or failure, the upgrades also reduce the amount of federal paperwork the dam will require.

• The four-mile Arcata Ridge Trail is becoming more complete with every passing month. Last week, a brand new bridge was placed near where it will be installed over Jolly Giant Creek near Fickle Hill Road. The \$12,500, 20foot steel bridge, made by Arcata's C&K Johnson Industries, is similar to another one placed over a tributary of Janes Creek near West End Road two years ago, but it's a

The new bridge will be installed this winter. That will leave the Ridge Trail's tricky Fickle Hill crossing as the final gap to be closed. Andre said the city is working with the county on details of the crossing, as it lies within Humboldt County jurisdiction.

· The Fickle Hill crossing will be created concurrently with a new trailhead at the terminus of Beverly Drive, at the exact location where a resident recently shot and killed

To connect the new portal, a connective path will be built beginning on the Ridge Trail and working down toward Beverly Drive. Andre said it wouldn't make sense to start on that street and work up, with a "trail to nowhere" that would leave those who trekked up it stranded halfway. Once the top portion has been created, the city will then work up from Beverly Drive to complete the linkage.

• A difficult crossing over Beith Creek in the Sunny Brae Tract was recently overhauled, creating a hiking-optimized path across the creek. But its steep, narrow route is not so friendly to equestrians and bicyclists in places, and those users have asked for further improvements. Andre said that is in the works as a long-term project, but will have to wait until other major projects are complete and the Forest Fund is back in "equilibrium."

"We really want an open forest," he said. "That's on the list." Another route lower down the creek might be installed for horses and bikes. Meanwhile, a sign might be installed at the present crossing urging users to lead their horses and walk their bikes.

• The new northern entrance to the Arcata Ridge Trail on West End Road will be dedicated sometime in December.

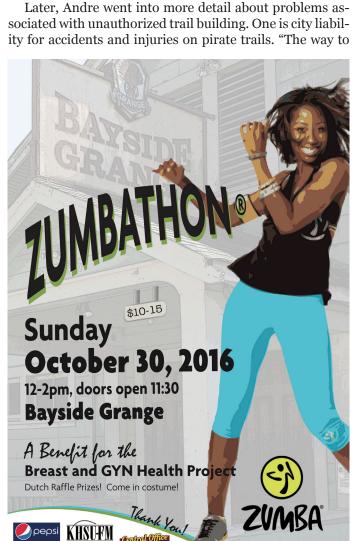
• This year's 400,000 board-foot Arcata Community Forest harvest was recently completed, refilling the Forest Fund to help Arcata's woodlands sustainably pay for their management and expansion. A post-harvest inspection of the logging site by committee members is likely to be held in November, weather permitting.

Some objections to the harvest and Arcata's overall forest management policies cropped up while the logging was underway, but as in past years, the protesters failed to follow through with any meaningful participation. No one advocating change in Arcata's forest harvest practices turned up at last week's meeting of the committee.

The Forest Management Committee mets the second Thursday of each month at 7 a.m. at Arcata City Hall.

More than 100 predominantly elderly mobile home owners attended the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors meeting Tuesday in support of a rent control ordinance for county mobile home parks.

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# PINION

# Throbbing Orcs, Arcata drag strip & a plea to help the homeless

# Cacophony of the Orcs

Often at night, I am awakened by deep vibrating noises that never stop. And frequently vehicles go by with the same cacophony - otherwise known as rap music. It's pretty clear the boom brigade is compensating for something.

Years ago out here on the Arcata Bottoms, I could hear the distant surf at night. No more. Now we are bombarded by constant grinding throb of cognitively challenged Orcs.

**Evelyn Anderson** Arcata

# Put the brakes on dragsters

Does anyone know about the location of the Arcata Drag Strip? The location has been kept secret for many years, but it is well known to those of us Arcatans who live on that section of Union Street located between Seventh and 11th streets.

Cars and motorcycles will either rush up Union Street from Seventh or down from 11th at high speed.

They often need to slam on their brakes before coming to the stop sign on Seventh Street. The slight dip opposite the Arcata Community Center often hides these speeders from pedestrians crossing Union Street or residents backing out of their driveways.

Either way the drivers go, there is a simple remedy to slow them down. "Speed humps" like those installed on Bayside, installed on Union Street, would send the message home for them to slow down.

Perhaps we could start with a simple speed limit sign, hand out a few speeding tickets, and hit these people where it hurts most, in their pocketbooks.

There are both families with young children and families with pets living on Union Street. Either way, something needs to be done.

Mike Vogel Resident, Union Street Arcata

# **Vote no on Paul Pitino**

It is often said by social scientists and political pundits that the most important government, to any individual, is the local government. Local government has the ability to impact your lives more than city or national governments ever can. That is why I watched, in some horror, the side show that was the Arcata City Council Meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 5. There were only four members of the City Council present for the review delivery of the "Draft Mobilehome Affordability Study." The council rearranged the agenda to get to the report in a timely fashion since there were many people who wanted to speak.

City government in Arcata is a City Council/City Manager government. Five people are elected to serve on the City Council, for a four-year term, and they in turn elect one of their number to be mayor. The term of the mayor is one year, so each year, the person in the center is a different councilmember. The mayor is responsible for running the council meetings, but the mayor has no more power or influence than any other council member. Apparently, until this past Wednesday!

Paul Pitino was elected mayor last year. In an unusual occurrence, Paul's election to mayor was not unanimous. One member of the Arcata City Council did not think he had the "temperament" to be mayor. This was shown quite distinctly at this last meeting.

About 20 people wanted to speak and they are each allowed to speak for three minutes. Meetings are run strictly by Robert's Rules of Order. This did not happen. Not because the people in the audience were unruly (there were some comments that could be heard in the entire chamber) but because Paul Pitino could not stop himself from arguing, harassing and "correcting" anyone who did not support his preconceived notions of what should happen with the Rent Control Ordinance that he has been pushing.

The City of Arcata Community Development Department spent \$35,000 and at least five months putting together a study with recommendations on the types of things the City Council could do. But because Paul Pitino wants one solution, and one solution only, this was not good enough. The whole situation was embarrassing for not only the public and city employees but for the City Council as a whole

Governance is hard in a democracy. The opinions and wishes of many types of peo-

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ple have to be weighed and compromise is always the rule of the day. We scratch our heads and wonder what we can do. Vote them out? As it happens that is exactly what we can do. Paul Pitino is running for re-election on the Nov. 8 ballot. Five people are running for three council seats. I urge you to vote for anyone but Paul Pitino! Save our city from a demagogue who thinks that acting like Donald Trump will get him re-elected.

> Jan Phelps Arcata

## Don't drink the Kool-Aid

I recently saw a bumper sticker that said "Sanders 2016," then with a slash, and on the right, "well, Hillary 2016," as if to say, "we're grudgingly going with Hillary." A friend said to me, "well, she is going to give Bernie the whole single-payer health care program to administer.'

I thought, "[my friend]is in denial or doesn't know how horribly corrupt this person is that she is condescending to vote for, but she must at least know how treacherous Hillary was to [Bernie]." Hmmm, if my friend relies on the mainstream media for news, she may not know the truth about Hillary, and unfortunately, I'm not allowed the space to print even the salient points that suggest her utter criminality at worst, and unfitness to be trusted to lead our country at best.

The aggregate of the WikiLeaks emails clearly demonstrates a high level of corruption associated with all of Hillary's political and personal doings.

I am appalled at the idea of creating an even bigger government behemoth health care system than what we already have, which we know is failing. According to a Fox News article, "More than 300,000 American military veterans likely died while waiting for health care – and nearly twice as many are still waiting – according to a new Department of Veterans Affairs Inspector General report." Veterans are subject to "single-payer" health care (read: government); how can we assume that we are going to adequately care for the whole population, when we look at how poorly veterans' care is managed?

I'm glad this county chose Sanders over Clinton in the primaries, but they now seem willing to drink the Kool-Aid; probably cuz they can't stomach Trump, which is understandable. So, just vote for Jill or Gary, and you won't have to compromise your principles.

> Jean Damon McKinleyville

# Votes yes in Measure F

Arcata citizens have supported the Utility Users Tax for the past 23 years. It has made living in Arcata more enjoyable because it supports park upgrades, road repairs and more recreational programs for the children and adults.

Measure F renews the Utility User Tax (UTT) with no increase to the current rate. It's an eight-year extension of the existing three percent tax you currently see on your PG&E, cable TV, phone and water bills.

It's worth it, I support it; your vote counts, thank you.

> **Alex Stillman Arcata**

# Put ego aside

In this year's election circus, parties and voters are poised to make the same dumb mistakes and hope the outcome will change. Hopefully, they'll wake up and try something else.

Primary voters chose Trump and Clinton as their candidates. Curiously, now that the primaries are over, surveys show that they have the highest unfavorable ratings ever. How could that have happened?

Unfavorability isn't new. We have all voted in elections against candidates rather than for them. But this year, there are new lessons to learn from the primaries.

Political parties establish the rules, and in most states one rule is that only those registered in a party can vote in its primaries. Those of us disgusted enough not to register in any party effectively deny ourselves the right to vote in primaries. Indeed, there are more "Decline to States" here than Democrats or Republicans. But wait, if we got off our high egos and stopped just being disgusted we could exercise some

identity politics.

Republicans usually have more money and better organization. But this year, it appears that the Democratic Party's big money and lockstep organization prevented Sanders, a recent party registrant, from winning the nomination. It was close. Recall that early polls before the primaries showed Sanders beating Trump with a wider margin than Clinton's.

Sanders was willing to abandon his position as an independent and become a Democrat. He did so because he felt it was better for the country. If he can do it as a candidate, why can't the rest of us disgusted voters grow up and do the same?

How ironic it is that the candidates most prepared and least prepared to be president, Sanders and Trump respectively, were supported by voters who had basically the same complaint, that the system is rigged against them.

The better-prepared Republicans lost in primaries because voters viewed them as part of that rigged system, which of course they are. To the Republican Party's credit, it allowed a fundamentally fair primary to take place, even though Republicans are normally in lockstep with big money.

Notwithstanding its sensible positions on most issues, Green Party ego is no better. Never has there been an experienced candidate more aligned with Green values than Sanders, but they refused to put him on their ballot or even support him because, they told me over and over, "He's not a Green."

Recall their shortsighted behavior in 2000, when the Greens could have swung the election to Gore in Florida. I give Ralph Nader credit for commitment and intelligence, so he surely knew what the score was at the beginning of November 2000. He could have told his partisans to vote instead for Gore, and imagine how much better the world would be. His ego triumphed over good sense.

Ignoring that history, some so-perfect Green ego-trippers still won't stoop to voting for Clinton this year. They assert that they're paving the way for third parties to play a role, someday. In fact though, Greens are at best a fourth party, as Libertarian Gary "What's Aleppo?" Johnson is running ahead of Jill Stein.

A redeeming Green platform plank is their support for rank choice voting. Also known as instant runoff voting, it would make elections fairer than they are now because every voter's opinion would matter. Now used in San Francisco and in advanced countries, this sensible election process would eliminate some voting foolishness, make elections shorter, and reduce big money's influence.

This November, I hope Berniecrats and holier-than-thou Greens will overcome their egos and vote for the candidate who can win. Then everyone should join the effort to override Governor Brown's recent veto of legislation enabling rank choice

> John Schaefer Arcata

# Winter is coming

Guess what? It will probably rain. And be cold.

And, in Humboldt County, despite "Housing First" strategies, we have more than 1,000 people without homes or shelter.

In past years, some towns in Humboldt County have joined in what is called "Extreme Weather Sheltering." When the temperature gets below 35 degrees or there are multiple days of heavy rain, several churches and town halls are opened to shelter the homeless for a night.

This year, Arcata House Partnership appears to be the only group preparing to winter shelter up to 15 people for 10 days over the winter!

Several places that previously sheltered people on Extreme Weather Shelter nights in Southern Humboldt (Fortuna and Redway) have stopped allowing supervised sheltering. There is no plan for Eureka.

The homeless need to know what the temperature is or is going to be, then get themselves to the rotating places, not bring their belongings or companion animals, and then, they get kicked out the next morning, into the weather, and have to line up again the next night.

Nice that there is something. However, because our shelter crisis is ongoing during the whole year, and the Extreme Weather Sheltering is only triggered by temperature

influence over our better futures without and ongoing rain, we have some problems.

Though this is better than a "stick in the eye," and great effort is exerted by volunteers to shelter a few people, it still results in folks not being sheltered when our weather is outrageous. This is a direct result of not dealing with the huge numbers of homeless during the "good" weather, or allowing them to set up their own sheltering in a semi-permanent way. This is a major cause of ill health in the huge unhoused population, strains emergency rooms, and often leads to death.

We can do better.

If Humboldt County would immediately declare a Shelter Crisis, and allow the homeless to be in regional places 24/7 and develop communities that were legal, leading to Tiny House Villages and safety, we would all be better off.

If needed, there would be locations where folks would be and could be easily transported to safe indoor sleeping during the winter if they wished. Or, allow use of an abandoned lumber mill to be an "indoor camp" to keep folks out of the weather, and allow them, with nonprofits like AHHA to create community agreements for living in safety. This would be smart and ennoble our community.

> **Edie Jessup** AHHA Board of Directors Humboldt Edge Advisory Board

## Use eminent domain

Shlomo Rechnitz, owner of the Eureka, Pacific and Seaview health care centers, is threatening to toss 258 of our relatives, friends and neighbors into the street because even though he's being reimbursed by the Medi-Cal distributor for about the going rate per patient, it isn't enough! Competition isn't the problem. Mr. Rechnitz has a monopoly on this area's nursing homes.

A few years back, we had a county nursing home and hospital side-by-side, and it worked pretty well until the county decided private care would work better. Only it

According to the patients at those facilities, there isn't enough help to make sure the patients are fed or have help to go to the bathroom or have clean bedding, particularly at night. What about Adult Protective Services? Where are they? Rockport Healthcare Group makes millions and then through its sister companies, affiliates and subsidiaries uses accounting tricks to confuse everyone about how much money the homes make. I think we can safely assume he pays his accountants more than he spends to feed patients at Eureka, Seaview and Pacific.

It is difficult to believe that with all the taxes we pay to the damn local governments they cannot protect the elderly here.

Then again I recall that former Eureka City Councilman Ernie Cobine had to actually beg for help for his infirm wife when he himself was so infirm he could no longer care for her and had to threaten suicide. Somehow, they got into Timber Ridge. They were fortunate. There is a solution. Mr. Rechnitz plays hardball with the county, with Partnership Health Plan, the medical distributor, and of course with the 448 elderly and mostly non-ambulatory patients entrusted to his

The county should use eminent domain to take over all five nursing homes owned directly or indirectly by Shlomo Rechnitz and then immediately sell them to Partnership Health Plan or to a nonprofit physicians' group. Perhaps the old Trinity Hospital in Arcata could be adapted when more beds are needed. HSU has no nursing program, its absence having created the nursing shortage. Perhaps they could gift the building to the county rather than letting a historic building fall into ruin.

William Quinn McKinleyville

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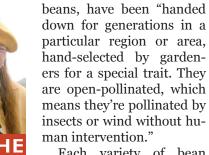
# Cold weather calls for hot bean soup

Then the power goes out, as it often does in our winter storms, the first thing I do is start a pot of soup on top of my wood stove.

I might be using candles and kerosene lamps to read by but I'm warm, cozy and well-fed by the old Country wood stove. It's ugly and blocky, but flat on the top – perfect for boiling water for a hot toddy and for making soup!

So the colorful beans at the Rain Frog Farm booth at the farmers' market caught my winter weather eye. Kelsey and Benjamin Perrone grow some beautiful beans.

These aren't just any beans. They are heirloom beans, the kinds that, according to the sign that graces the bushel basket full of red



Each variety of bean comes with a story.

The Hidatsa Indian Red

Bean, which Kelsey recommends as interchangeable with kidney beans in recipes, comes from the Hidatsa people of the upper Missouri River Valley. It's smaller than a kidney bean, so it looks like a good bet for my red beans and rice recipe.

Other beans that the couple grow at their farm of "around 10 acres" near Blue Lake include the Calypso, a black and white or yin/yang bean that's been around for 400 years, and the Kenearly Yellow Eye. They grow other varieties too, that are already sold out this season.

What can we say, people like beans. They store well, cook easily and are perfect for



RAIN FOG FARMER Kelsey Perrone with her colorful beans.

Janine Volkmar | Union

"hearty winter soups where they cook down into a rich creamy broth."

The Perrones harvest the beans "the old school way" according to Kelsey, which takes a long time. Their beans are "hand winnowed," which includes first shaking them into a large bin to separate the beans from the stalks and then moving them from one container to another to release the chaff, then they are sorted by hand. Beans brought to you with love.

Their farm also produces garlic, pumpkins, turnips and some exceptionally good-looking leeks.

"We plant around two acres of leeks," Kelsey Perrone said, "they are so dependable."

Her favorite crop? "Oh, the brassicas," she said without hesitation. "They overwinter well." She and her husband always save seeds to

replant next year.

The couple and their three children are truly sowing the seeds for the future of farming at

Rain Frog Farm.
Stop by their booth to admire those leeks but don't miss out on buying some authentic, local

It will make your winter warmer, I promise. rainfrogfarm@yahoo.com

# **MHS** celebrates Homecoming

omecoming is the tradition of welcoming back students in a celebration renowned for nostalgia. As McKinleyville High School prepares for its homecoming celebration, with classes and clubs working tirelessly on preparations, there is a lot of work keeping the campus moving.

Homecoming takes place Friday, Oct. 21 this year, with the theme "Flashback Friday."

The theme is designed so that classes and clubs choose a previous homecoming theme as their sub-theme. This will dictate the decorations for their floats and indoor bleachers for the day.

The parade, which will take place on Friday at noon, will incorporate the four classes and various clubs.

The event will attract alumni from previous graduating classes and members from the community to watch the spirited floats. The parade will leave McKinleyville High School at noon, travel east on Murray Road, then north on Central Avenue, west on School Road, then north to Washington and McKinleyville avenues, then returns to the high school.

Throughout the week, students will dress up according to the day's assigned theme.

Monday, the theme was "Decades," Tuesday was "Squad Day," a variation of twin day, with matching between multiple people encouraged.

"Disney Day" is today and "Holi-

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days" is Thursday.

The big day is Friday, which will involve nothing less than a glorious display of school spirit, where personal competitions to wear the most red and black will certainly take place.

Friday is going to be a busy day as the Leadership class prepares for the ral-

ly. At 10:25 a.m., students will join together in the gymnasium in their spirited attire to participate in games, hear speeches given by wonderful teachers, be judged on the decorations of their bleachers, and most importantly, yell the battle cry in an effort to win bragging rights.

Students will be pumped up for the noon parade.

That evening is the football game. Mack High will face off with Eureka and will fight their best for the win. JV plays at 5 p.m. and Varsity will commence at 7:30 p.m.

The goal for this year is "to see [the] entire student body ... brimming with school spirit," and "enthusiastic about participating," said Taylor LeBlanc, teacher and student activities director at McKinleyville High School. She wants this celebration "to be representative of [the] awesome students and their excitement to be a part of this school." Wendy Hnilo, ASB President and the association's queen candidate, might say the same. She believes that homecoming "is a chance for all students to get involved and have a part in a school wide event."







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MY, WHAT A BIG 'STACHE YOU HAVE HSU Theatre, Film and Dance Department's production of Peter and the Starcatcher features Maude Jaeb as Captain Stache and Benny Allen as Peter.

# Of pirates & Peter Pan

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VAN DUZER THEATRE - The Theatre, Film and Dance Department at Humboldt State University presents Peter and the Starcatcher, the Tony Award-winning play that upends the century-old story of how a miserable orphan boy becomes the legendary Peter Pan. This production, opening this Friday, is the first fully staged production of the 2016-17 Season at HSU.

This relatively new work is based on the 2006 novel Peter and the Starcatchers by Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson and is adapted for the stage by Rick Elice. The play, which includes musical numbers written by Wayne Barker, provides a backstory for the character Peter Pan and serves as an imagined prequel to J.M. Barrie's Peter Pan; or, the Boy Who Wouldn't Grow Up. The play premiered at the La Jolla Playhouse in 2009, opened off-Broadway in 2011, opened on Broadway in 2012 and returned to off-Broadway in 2013 where it closed in 2014. A national tour concluded last year. The play has earned numerous awards, including five Tony Awards as well as Drama Desk and Obie Awards. It was also named Favorite Play and Best Play by the Broadway Audience Choice Awards.

Learn just how an unnamed orphan becomes Peter Pan, how he ends up in a place called Neverland, how Captain Hook lost his hand, how a big crocodile started to tick from inside and even how Tinkerbell originated. But there is much more to this production. Director Rae Robison, associate professor of Theatre Arts, saw a bit of the show staged during the Tony Awards on television and was intrigued. "After reading the book the play is based on," Robison said, "I was hooked. As a director, I'm always drawn to *new* plays which allow you to share a work with an audience that will probably be experiencing it for the first time."

The play has been described as a children's story for adults but has proven very appealing to kids as well. "This production is suitable for ages 2 to 200," Robison said. "This play is about friendship, family and finding your place in the world, making those connections that com-

PETER PAN ❖ B3

# Lightning strikes

Janine Volkmar MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT - Neil Tarpey has published his first book, Flashes of Lightning, a collection of 52 very short stories. Very short, as in less than a page long.

That's perfect, because Tarpey is a frequent winner in the annual Flash Fiction contest sponsored by the North Coast Journal. He won first prize in the very first contest and has had eight stories printed in four different years.

If his stories weren't so good - well crafted and cleverly surprising – other writers would hate him for winning. This writer has been chosen for several stories but nothing to compare with Tarpey's domination of the contest, year after (sucky) year. But his wry humor and good plotting make it impossible to stay jealous for long. Plus, Tarpey is so supportive of other writers.

"I always like seeing what other people are writing and how they cram their story into a few words," he said. "Someone said that in a 101-word story, every word has to fight for its survival."

People often ask him if the stories are autobi-

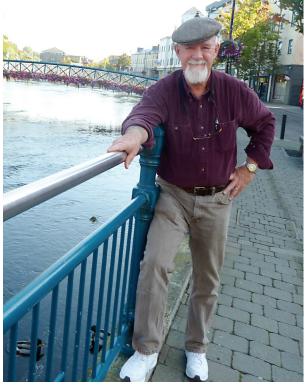
"Probably 25 percent of the stories are based on some experience or event in my life," he said.

as material. He has worked as a substance abuse counselor, a college instructor and a sports writer. He has two master's degrees, one in Teaching Writing and one in Counseling Psychology, from Humboldt State.

Tarpey won't always be sticking to the 99-word format. He's working on a full length murder mystery featuring a detective, Kevin Valke, who is a character in several of the short, short stories.

"It's set in Humboldt County," said Tarpey, "and Valken's detective partner is a Native American woman from the Hoopa Valley. Its working title is Darkness in the Redwoods,

He is not entering the Flash Fiction contest this year because he's in a fiction writers' group and



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**WORDSMITH Neil Tarpey out finding inspiration** by the Garavogue River, Sligo Town, Ireland.

concentrating on the mystery novel.

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But he's happy about the publication of his short And Tarpey has had a lot of experiences to use fiction book, particularly the illustrations by Laura Zerzan Jones.

> "Laura's illustrations set the book apart from other books of poetry or short fiction," he said. "I met her the first week I moved here, almost 40 years ago. I give her kudos. For each illustration, she must have created three or four, to see which one I would pick for that story."

> Tarpey will celebrate Flashes of Lightning at Booklegger in Old Town Eureka on Friday, Nov. 4 at 7 p.m. and at Northtown Books in Arcata on Friday, Nov. 11 at 7 p.m. Meet the author and get your copy signed. If you haven't bought the

but the title may pick itself as I get closer to the book yet, you can open it randomly to any page and sample a complete story.

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# **Humboldt?**

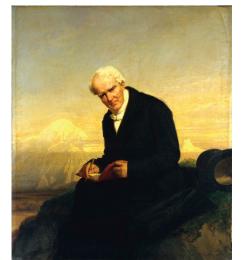


word mean to you? Humboldt is a place, a county where I've lived most of my life, but it's more than that. It's become a brand with an ever shifting meaning.

As you might guess, this column gets its name from Humboldt.

This summer, in between writing the column, I've been working on a podcast, at this point just asking people what they think, and then what they know about a man: Baron Friedrich Wilhelm Heinrich Alexander von Humboldt. (Few people know anything about him.)

My own Humboldt exploration was inspired by a few things: As you may recall, I had a stroke and ba-



**INVENTOR OF NATURE Baron Frie**drich Wilhelm Heinrich Alexander von Humboldt

PORTRAIT BY JULIUS SCHRADER

sically lost a few weeks of my life in 2013, drifting in limbo. The last thing I remember I was taking photos at a Humboldt State graduation ceremony, where an Alexander von Humboldt impersonator, Steve Cunha, was giving a speech (about what I have no memory).

A few months later, I went to see a play called *Humboldt Unbound* at the Van Duzer. Dell'Arte's Michael Fields wrote the script with some HSU students telling Humboldt's life. Professor Cunha, the same Humboldt impersonator, plays Old Alexander and has a stroke as the story begins. (Yes, that was weird for me.) There's a lot more to it, but we have to move along.

Last year, I read glowing reviews in the New York Times and New Yorker of a new book by British author Andrea Wulf, The Invention of Nature: Alexander von Humboldt's New World. I bought it and spent the year reading it. It answered a lot of my questions.

In a piece for The Guardian, Andrea explained, "Humboldt was the most famous scientist of his age and a daring adventurer. In 1799, he went on a five-year exploration of Latin America, returning to Europe with a new concept of nature that still shapes our thinking. He came up with the idea that nature is a web of life and that earth is a living organism.

THE HUM ❖ B2



**DEAR CREATURE** Jonathan Case signs the new edition of his graphic novel, Dear Creature, Saturday, Oct. 22 at 3 p.m. at Northtown Books, 957 H St., Arcata, He will also do free quick sketches for attendees, and speak about comics and graphic novel creation. Case is a cartoonist whose work includes comics, paintings and prose. In 2011 he released two graphic novels: Dear Creature, the bizarre and critically-acclaimed monster romance, and Green River Killer, a true detective story for which he won an Eisner award. His most recent graphic novel, The New Deal, is a nominee for the Reuben and Harvey awards for best graphic album. (707) 822-2834, jonathancase.net



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# **The Hum** | Alliterations

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He even predicted harmful human-induced climate change and warned about the devastating environmental effects of monoculture, irrigation, deforestation and industrial pollution.

"Today, he's almost forgotten in the English-speaking world, but his name lingers everywhere – from the ocean current that hugs the west coast of South America to a penguin, dozens of mountains, plants, rivers and a glacier in Greenland. There are more places, plants and animals named after him than anyone else."

And, there are several Humboldt counties, and our university, where Andrea will be speaking Monday, Oct. 24, as part of a mission to return Humboldt to rock star status. When her talk that evening filled up, they added a second at 1 p.m. It's free, but you'll need a ticket.

#### **World beat Wednesday**

Wednesday, Oct. 19, at Humboldt Brews it's reggae time with New Kingston, a family band from Brooklyn with Court**ney Panton Sr.** on bass and his sons on everything else. (Yes, there's a Courtney Jr.) The Pantons are touring the U.S. with **SensaMotion** from Atlantic City.

Also that Wednesday, at Redwood Raks World Dance Studio, **Bulgarika** plays traditional Balkan music (yes, from Bulgaria). There's **Nikolay Kolev** on gadulka, an instrument that looks like a lute, but is bowed like a violin, with his wife **Donka** on vocals, **Temelko Ivanov** on kaval (a flute) and Nikolay Kodzhabashev on tambura (sort of like a big mandolin). I'm guessing there will be some folk dancers at the show, and they will probably dance.

#### Thumpin' Thursday

Want more East European music? **Please The Trees** from Prague in the Czech Republic plays Thursday, Oct. 20 at Humboldt Brews. This is a long way from traditional music – it's an alt rock trio. A few years ago, guitarist/singer Vaclav Havelka was asked about their target audience. "Who do you guys play for?" He answered, "The trees – we play to please the trees." With that in mind, wherever they go in the world (and they've been all over) they plant a tree. Von Humboldt would have liked that.

Speaking of Humboldt, Thursday at the Arcata Playhouse there's a "Humboldt Hip-Hop Showcase" with a whole lotta locals I know nothing about: host 2Bitt and performers Travii Bandz, Rock Slang, Area 5150, TRexx, Greenlite, Dummie Blocc, West Craven, D-Ray and Pharoah Lavelli. Hardcore old school hip-hop gangsta-style is not typically what you hear at the Playhouse, but whatever.

# Folky, flowing Friday

Friday evening at the North Coast Repertory Theatre, it's a show by singer/ songwriter **Luke Winslow-King**, a New Orleans-based guitarist whose work is described as "an eclectic mix that combines Mississippi Delta blues, folk music, traditional jazz, and roots rock & roll." The "young traditionalist" has a few albums out on Bloodshot Records, which is a cool label.

His show is described as part of the "NCRT Concert Series," which implies there will be more music to come. Wonder

what's coming next?

Friday at the Jam it's Life During Wartime, a Talking Heads tribute from Portland. Currently, they're focusing on Stop Making Sense, which is a good place to start. Do you suppose someday there will be as many Heads cover bands as there are Dead cover bands? Nah.

Friday and Saturday at Humboldt Brews, it's a short term residency by Melvin **Seals & JGB.** Melvin is a soulful, funky keyboard player who played Hammond B-3 organ with the Jerry Garcia Band back in the day (1980-1995 when Jerry died). Do you think Melvin will play some Dead tunes? (He will.)

Friday and Saturday the Arcata Playhouse hosts the San Francisco-based all-female Real Vocal String Quartet. Like a traditional chamber music combo, they have a pair of violins, a viola and a cello, but that's about all that's traditional about them. Founded by violinist Irene **Sazer**, formerly of the like-minded Turtle Island Quartet, the inspiration was combining composed chamber music with improvisation and singing. Their sound draws on classical, but also jazz, rock, African and Brazilian music and Americana. The local residency includes some sort of workshop in association with Humboldt State's Music Dept. For details call the department or the Playhouse.

#### Saturated Saturday

Saturday afternoon (1 to 4 p.m.), the Westhaven Center for the Arts marks its 20th anniversary with a "Gala Celebration" with "jazz, food, friends." Jazz is provided by **RLA Trio**. (Tim, Mike and Bobby really can cook.) Catering is provided by **Rabia O'Loren**. (She can really cook, too.)

That evening, of Montreal plays in HSU's Kate Buchanan Room. The band, led by **Kevin Barnes**, has a new double disc album out, innocence reaches. The lead single, "It's Different for Girls" is a lush electro dance bon bon about sexual politics. Kevin explained in an interview for Under the Radar, "It's just something that I had been thinking about for a long time, because I have a daughter. It gives me some perspective on the female experience and what it means to be a woman in the world and how, as much as we might like to think and as much as things have evolved and gotten better, there is still pretty deep misogyny that exists and some deep phallic-centric energy in the world." Timely or

Meanwhile at the Arcata Theatre Lounge, it's Tauk, an "all-instrumental blend of funk, hip hop, progressive rock and jazz" from Oyster Bay, New York. The quartet (guitar, keys, bass, drums) aims to "push into new sonic terrain and build entire worlds within each richly textured soundscape." Entire worlds? They'd better leave some space for local openers **Hele**kinetic with Aaron Drago, Mike Solomon, Tomek Zajaczkowski and special guest from the Bay, **Dr. Oop**. The formula? "Space Jazz + Real Hip Hop + Jamfunk + Humboldt = Epicness!!!"

# Swampy, Swami Sunday

Thinking about Sunday brunch? The next Bayside Grange Community **Breakfast** will be Zydeco style with the **Bayou Swamis**. The gourmet grub is great (unless maybe you're a gluten-free



GENRE-BENDERS San Francisco's all-female Real Vocal String Quartet mix a surprisingly broad repertoire that embraces the diverse influences of its four players, from classical, jazz and rock, to songs and styles from West Africa, Brazil and rural America. They perform two nights, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 21 and 22 at 8 p.m. at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St., as part of a performance and teaching residency at the Playhouse and Humboldt State University music department. Tickets are \$18/16 for members and students and are available at Wildberries Marketplace, online at arcataplayhouse.org or (707) 822-1575. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Swamis is big fun. "We will leave a space open for dancing, come to dance, come to eat, come to socialize," says Marla. "Always a good time to be had for all!" Laissez les bon temps rouler!!

Let's talk metal. Sunday night the metalheads have some hard (rock) choices.

At HSU, again in the KBR, it's Deafheaven, who just played their punk-metal at the big Treasure Island Festival. As the story goes, founding members **Kerry** McCoy and George Clarke met in ninth grade after Kerry complimented George's Slayer T-shirt. George was a fan of the Dead Kennedys, eventually they shared a mutual interest in black metal. There will be shredding.

Same dark night, The Siren's Song Tavern has stoner rock band Swamp Ritu**al** from Missoula with local support from Buckshot Possum and Black Plate from Shively. The show is hosted by Angry Hammer Booking and Production, a "DIY booking organization for metal and punk bands in Humboldt County ... working as an all volunteer force."

In FBworld, a friend was "stoked" about the show, but, "Marrisa and I won't make it though, it's the same day as Slayer." Ac-

vegan), and noshing with **Marla** and the tually Slayer (and Deerheaven) play the Aftershock Festival in Sacto Saturday, but apparently the two-day metal dream has more heaviness Sunday.

#### **Miami Monday**

Monday night at Richards' Goat, the Jacuzzi Boys Ping Pong Tour is in town. Tags: Miami garage pop psychedelic surf punk rock & roll tropical goth. To explain, tropical goth is something the Boys made up. Ping Pong is their latest disc. "It's like that movie you once saw. The one with the boy and the girl and the plastic lounger on the beach ... You remember you liked it. It stayed with you while you swam alone in your pool that night." That must have been in Miami. We don't have pools here where you can swim alone at night.

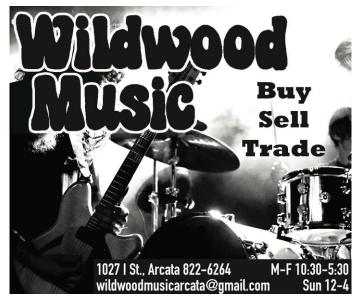
The October Based on the Book Film Series at the Humboldt County Library (in Eureka) has movies starring Kirk Douglas. I will introduce Lonely Are The Brave, a modern Western based on the novel The Brave Cowboy by Edward Abbey, who you may know from his other books including The Monkey Wrench Gang, inspirational for Earth First! Be there. (Or not.)

The Hum's expanded multimedia content is at madriverunion.com.

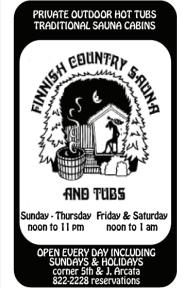
**LOVE TO SING?** Song Village, a new singing gathering hosted by Seabury Gould, is a monthly informal gathering similar to the Song Circle Seabury hosted for many years in Arcata. The grand opening takes place Sunday, Oct. 23 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Westhaven Center for the Arts, 501 S. Westhaven Dr. The Song Village is followed by a Music Improv Circle in which Seabury facilitates musical improvisations with a variety of musicians at Westhaven Center for the Arts from 3.15 to 5.15 p.m. Admission is free. Singers are encouraged to bring the songbook Rise Up Singing and copies of songs they would like to share and sing folk songs and other songs conducive to group singing. Players of any instrument who would like to explore improvisation are invited to participate. seaburygould.com, (707) 845-8167

AT THE LIGHTHOUSE GRILL JD Jeffries Trio, featuring Devin Paine and Teri Lockhart, performs at the Lighthouse Grill in Saunders Shopping Center, Trinidad, Sunday, Oct. 23 at 5 p.m.

	VENUE	WEDNESDAY, Oct. 19	Thursday, Oct. 20	Friday, Oct. 21	Saturday, Oct. 22	Sunday, Oct. 23	Monday, Oct. 24	Tuesday, Oct. 25
K	<b>Arcata Theatre Lounge</b> 1036 G St., Arcata	6 p.m. • Sci Fi Pint & Pizza Night		7:30 p.m. The Craft	9 p.m. TAUK	5:30 p.m. The Goonies	5:20 p.m. • Mon- day Night Football	
40	Blue Lake Casino 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake		9 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard	9 p.m. Dr. Squid	9 p.m. Triple Junction	9 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard		
	Cher-Ae Heights Casino 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad	8 p.m. Free pool		9 p.m. Silver Hammer	9 p.m. Pressure Anya	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv	8 p.m. 8-Ball Tourney	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv
	<b>Humboldt Brews</b> 856 10th St., Arcata	9 p.m. New Kingston	9:30 p.m. Please the Trees	9:30 p.m. • Melvin Seals and JGB	9:30 p.m. • Melvin Seals and JGB			
Z	<b>The Jam</b> 915 H St., Arcata	9 p.m. Whomp Whomp	9:30 p.m. 100 Watt Mind	9:30 p.m. • Life During Wartime	9:30 p.m. DubaDubs	9:30 p.m. Sundaze		9 p.m. Comedy Night
Ш	<b>Libation</b> 761 Eighth St., Arcata		7 p.m. Claire Bent	7 p.m. Jason Hall Trio	7 p.m. Aber Miller			
	<b>Logger Bar</b> 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake			9 p.m. Kindred Spirits	9 p.m. Beautiful Losers	6 p.m. NFL & Potluck	all day Free pool	all day Free ping-pong
	Mad River Brewing Co. 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake	6 p.m. Old Dog	6 p.m. • Compost Mountain Boys	6 p.m. Home Cookin'	6 p.m. Cadillac Ranch			6 p.m. Blue Lotus Jazz
	<b>Redwood Curtain Brewery</b> 550 South G St., Arcata	all day Pints for Nonprofits		8 p.m. Johan Tolchin	8 p.m. Likwifi		7 p.m. Shuffleboard	
	Six Rivers Brewery 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville		8 p.m. • Thursday Night Bluegrass			8 p.m. Trivia Night	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv	









# At The Old Steeple

FERNDALE MUSIC COMPANY

FERNDALE - Ferndale Music Company presents two remarkable shows at The Old Steeple this week.

#### Mandolin Player of the Year

Sierra Hull has been recognized from age 11 as a virtuoso mandolin player, astonishing audiences and fellow musicians alike. Now a seasoned touring musician at age 25, Hull brings her inspired, accomplished and mature work to Ferndale today, Oct. 19 at 7:30 p.m.; Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

In her lastest recording, Weighted Mind, Hull speaks eloquently, in her challenging and sensitive originals, her heartfelt vocals, and once again breaks new ground on the mandolin. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door.

#### **Hawaiian Music Legend**

Legendary Hawaiian music master and four-time Grammy nominee Led Kaapana plays The Old Steeple Friday, Oct. 21, along with opening act Da Ukulele Boyz.

Best known for his wizardry on slack key guitar and ukulele and his extraordinary baritone and leo ki'eki'e (falsetto) voices, Kaapana's easygoing style and kolohe (rascal) charm have earned him a loyal following of "Led Heads," from Brus-



sels to his birthplace on the Big Island of Hawaii, as well as four Grammy nominations in his own right and two wins on slack key compilations.

Da Ukulele Boyz open the show at 7:30 p.m.; doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door.

#### The Old Steeple

The Old Steeple, located at 246 Berding St. (next to the cemetery) in Ferndale, is Humboldt County's newest all-ages venue. Located in Ferndale's magnificent former Methodist church, the 225-seat concert hall features stunning stained glass, high Italian tin ceiling, spacious comfy seating and naturally warm sound.

For more information, contact Ferndale Music Company at (707) 786-7030.

**DRINK PINK** Drink pink at Mad River Brewing Co., 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake, today, Oct. 19, when \$1 from every beer sold all day benefits the Humboldt Breast and GYN Health Project.

DRINK GREEN Drink green at Redwood Curtain Brewery, 550 South G St., Arcata, today, Oct. 19, when \$1 from every beer sold all day benefits the Northcoast Environmental Center.

SCI-FI PINT & PIZZA NIGHT Visit The Island of Lost Souls (1932) and other psychotronic weirdness, trailers, short films and strange giveaways today, Oct. 19 at Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the main feature starts at 7:30 p.m. This first film version of H.G. Wells' Island of Dr. Moreau stars Charles Laughton as Dr. Moreau, a dedicated but sadly misguided scientist who rules the roost on a remote island whose natives seem more animal than human, especially the hirsute Bela Lugosi. Admission is free with \$5 minimum purchase of food or beverage. Parental guidance is suggested.

**COLLECTORS SALE** Pick up a masterpiece for your home, or find the perfect holiday gift for a loved one! The Collectors Sale is a special event Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 22 and 23 from noon to 5 p.m. at the Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., Eureka. The private art collection of a local collector will be opened up for public sale for this weekend only. This well-established collection features artwork from local artists as well as from around the world, and has been built up over decades. All artwork has been priced to move, which means you can pick up an extraordinary piece of art at an affordable price. The artworks range in size from big to small. Happy hunting!

# Peter Pan | Alligators!

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plete you and discovering what really matters. Sure, there may be pirates, and what makes life so exciting."

Featuring 13 actors playing more than 100 unforgettable characters, *Peter and the Starcatcher* boasts terrific performers, hilarious mermaids, beautiful spectacle and even starstuff. The production uses creative stagecraft and the limitless possibilities of imagination to bring the story to life.

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tinues October 22, 27, 28 and 29 in the Van Duzer Theatre on the HSU campus. Evening shows begin adventure, alligators and at 7:30 p.m. There will be danger, and even love two matinée performances along the way – but that's beginning at 2 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 23 and 30.

Admission is \$10/\$8 for students and seniors. Campus parking is free on weekends. For tickets, call (707) 826-3928. For more information, call (707) 826-3566.

# On The House...



HOME IMPROVEMENT **PROJECTS** 

Many homeowners launch home improvement projects with the primary objective of increasing the value of the property. A recent study by House Doctors Handyman Services identified the projects that are least likely to enhance a home's value.

While upgrades and remodeling can add significant resale value to a home, there is a line that can be crossed. Building a large addition to a house or making it twice as big as other homes in the neighborhood could be counter-productive. It pays to make improvements or additions consistent with other nearby homes. Luxury features such as a spa or tennis court will probably cost more than they increase the home's value with swimming pools being the least lucrative. Structural repairs, such as fixing cracked foundations, rewiring, replacing the roof or plumbing will cost more than can be recouped when the home is sold.

Moderately priced cosmetic enhancements made immediately before a home's sale actually yield the highest returns. Home shoppers are attracted to well-groomed landscaping and clean and de-cluttered interiors with new, neutral paint. For professional advice on all aspects of buying or selling real estate, call Joanie Frederick, Broker, Azalea Realty, (707) 362-0144, or check out our website at www.azalearealty.com

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the United States, and was a featured presence for 10 years at The Six Flags America Fright Fest in Largo, Maryland, leading his company, The Patient Creatures. His stories run the gamut from classic campfire tales to macabre

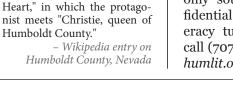
#### At the Eureka Library

**Humboldt Literacy Proj**ect and the Eureka Main Library present Family Literacy Night featuring Carpathian the Gentle Ghoul today, Oct. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Eureka Main Library, 1313 Third St. Enjoy a variety of ghost stories, each with a special shivery thrill when told by the wandering specter of Humboldt County.

Each child in attendance will receive a free book, donated by Tin Can Mailman, at the end of the presenta-

For more information, call (707) 269-1910 or visit humlib.org. Family Literacy Night is sponsored by First 5 Humboldt, (humkids.org) and Humboldt Literacy Project.

For more information about Humboldt County's only source of free, confidential, one-on-one literacy tutoring for adults, call (707) 445-3655 or visit humlit.org.



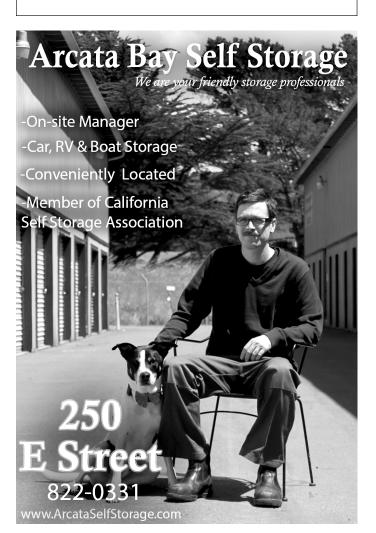
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# Keeping up with Carpathian

MAD RIVER UNION

EUREKA - Halloween is fast approaching, and the Lost Coast's favorite wandering spectre and talespinner Carpathian is once again promising scary, silly and musical nights of chills and chuckles for the entire family.

Carpathian has appeared at numerous film renaissance faires, haunted attractions, libraries, conventions and other venues throughout

#### At Old Town Coffee and Chocolates

this season.

PATIENT CREATURE Carpathian is fully in his element

Join Carpathian for "Ghost & Goblins: Spooks Galore!" Saturday, Oct. 22 at 7 p.m. at Old Town Coffee and Chocolates, 211 F St., Old Town Eureka. Accompanying him again this year on his extravaganza will be his human companions, storyteller Paul Woodland and singer/ songwriter Lisa Sharry.

Woodland is known as the Mad River Raconteur to the faithful listeners of his popular radio storytelling program "The Whippy Dip Radio Show," heard every Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. on KHSU 90.5 FM. He has been storytelling professionally at hospitals, schools, senior centers and national parks for over 16

years, and he gained valuable storytelling experience while working in Sonoma County as a park ranger, creating compelling campfire programs.

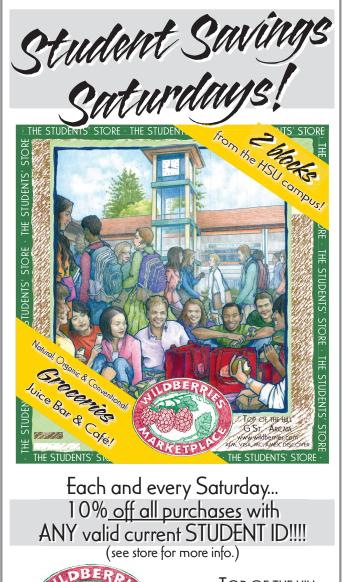
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Lisa C. Sharry is a Eureka-based singer/songwriter/guitarist. She currently plays solo acoustic guitar, and over the past 30 years has played both guitar and bass in numerous venues with various Humboldt County bands with styles ranging from old time to rock to punk.

Admission is free; this is an all-ages event.

Look behind you – Halloween is a busy time for this wandering ghoul. To keep up with Capathian this season, call (707) 445-8600 or view his calendar at patientcreatures.com.







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# With apologies to Edgar Allan Poe

nce upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary, Over many a curious donation at the Companion Animal Foundation store -

While I nodded to beats while rapping, suddenly there came a tap-

As of someone gently tapping, tapping at the kitten room door. 'Tis my imagination," I muttered, "distracting from my rapping in the store -

Only this and nothing more."

Ah, distinctly I recall it was in the stormy fall; When suddenly an eerie "Mrrreeow" cut the stillness of the store -The source as though some invisible Keter, so struck was I, I ceased my meter, Ceased my rare and radiant meter, meter from which my soul did pour ....W-who's there?" I queried, letting antique, Japanese lacquerware shatter on the floor... Worthless now, forever more.

Now four most intriguing specters emerged as night grew long ... Though my bones were surely chilling I must admit it was somehow thrilling, as the sounds of haunted chains came jingling while up my spine a great fear rose tingling, and then, abruptly, I lie to you not, out they broke in song!

"Our names are Sugar, Candy, Trixie and Treat, one is in hiding but soon you shall meet, We have appeared for a singular reason, As now dawns upon us the Halloween season, During this season this world we may haunt, so we've paid you a visit on our spectrally jaunt, We seek mortal peace yet our time is loan, we need you to take photos so we may be shown, We might be little monsters written 'bout in ancient tomes, but even children most monstrous deserve loving homes. Our costumes are tuxedo, black and Siamese, with names matching our nature so we never displease."

I asked in great haste "Is that all I must do?" A black shadow then whispered, "Make me seem enigmatic ... Boo!"

Sugar, Candy, Trixie, Treat and Boo are five festive kittens who will be spayed/neutered prior to adoption. If you want to learn more about these kittens (or our many other ones!) please give us a call at (707) 826-7387 or visit our thrift store at 88 Sunny Brae Center in Arcata. You can also email cafanimals@gmail.com, visit cafanimals.org, or check out Companion Animal Foundation on Facebook.

THE WINTERLINGS Indie-folk duo The Winterlings perform at the McKinleyville Library, 1606 Pickett Rd., today, Oct. 19 at 3 p.m. Songwriters and multi-instrumentalists Amanda Birdsall and Wolff Bowden have played their unique style of alternative folk music from Seattle's Northwest Folklife Festival to the CMJ Music Festival in Manhattan. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the McKinleyville Library.

STORY TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES & ABILITIES McKinleyville Library, 1606 Pickett Rd., offers a story time designed with special needs children in mind, as well as their families and friends **Saturday**, **Oct. 22** at 9 a.m. In addition to stories, there will be sensory play stations available, with volunteers to help children have a positive experience. This is open to all. (707) 839-4459, McKinleyville.HumLib.org, Facebook.com/McKinleyvilleLibrary

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# Westhaven Center: the place to be

**♦** Third Friday novel of the same Blues Series at Westhaven Center for the Arts, 501 South Westhaven Dr., features Jim Lahman, Dale Cash and Bill Moehnke. The trio will present acoustic and electric blues from the turn of the 20th century to today. Dancing is recommended! The show is Friday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m.; admission is a \$5 to \$10 suggested donation at the door.

#### **20th Anniversary** Celebration

Westhaven Center for the Arts cordially invites members and guests to its 20th Anniversary Celebration Saturday, Oct. 22 from 1 to 4 p.m., with music by the RLA Trio and catering by Rabia O'Loren. The center has provided two decades of art, music, theater, healing arts, fitness classes, movies, learning and art classes, craft events for children and a welcoming atmosphere besides. There is much for which to be grateful. Admission is a \$5 to \$10 suggested donation.

#### Gaia's Love at the center

Westhaven Center's Director Roy King leads a discussion of nature-based spirituality Sunday, Oct. 23 from 10 to 11 a.m. at the center. Call (707) 834-3008 for information or email royjking2@hotmail. com.

#### **Fourth Friday Flicks**

Seven Days in May is Westhaven Center's October classic film selection. Starring Fredrick March, Burt Lancaster, Kirk Douglas and Ava Gardener, the film, based on the 1962 name written by Fletcher Knebel and Charles W. Bailey II, tells the story of the United States military leaders plotting to overthrow the president. Knebel wrote a daily po-

litical column called "Potomac Fever" that appeared in 80 major newspapers. Bailey worked as a reporter for the *Minneapolis Star* and Tribute.

The film screens Friday, Oct. 28 at 7 p.m.

#### **Small Images show**

Finally, at Westhaven Center, "small image" art works are being selected for the next exhibit. Artists in all mediums are invited to enter up to four 14-by-14-inch or smaller works, with an entry fee of \$5 per piece. You do not have to be a member to enter. All art will be shown as space permits. Entry day is Tuesday, Nov. 1 from noon to 2 p.m. For more information, email wcaexhibits@ gmail.com or call Ann Anderson at (707) 677-0128.

#### **Busy October** for Lions Club

The Trinidad Lions Club invites new and returning members to its potluck Wednesday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. in the Club Room, Town Hall. The club meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month, except Nothe 409 Trinity Street location. The club welcomes community residents interested in learning more about Lions Club. Contact Lion President Ed Ross at (707) 677-3971.

Visit The Trinidad Lions Club e-clubhouse.org for a calendar of events and much more.

Club Lions serves its regular monthly Breakfast Sunday, Oct.

30 from 8 to 11 a.m. in the Trinidad School cafeteria. For only \$6/\$4 for children, you can feast on many choices including eggs, sausage or ham or biscuits and gravy. Beverages are included. And there always is a book sale table (donations welcome) to browse while you're waiting for your meal.

Halloween Night, Monday, Oct. 31, Lions will entice costumed children into its web of delights (apple cider, popcorn, treats) at the Club Room, Town Hall, starting at dusk. Only Friendly Lions will welcome children.

#### **Trinidad School Halloween Parade**

The late school superintendent-principal Larry McCarty started the annual Trinidad School Halloween Parade in the early 1980s. Current superintendent-principal Matt Malkus and all the the teachers, staff and children will wind their scary way from the school, down Trinity and Main Streets and back to the school via View and Edwards Streets vember and December, at Monday, Oct. 31 at about 10 a.m.

> Gather on the route and enjoy the frightening spec-

> Email Patti at baycity@ sonic.net.

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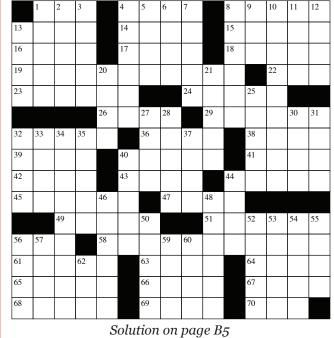
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# Terrific Tucker & love-a-bull

DOGTOWN

Mara Sega

ast weekend's rain gave the shelter dogs a quiet day off, but didn't dampen their spirits! We are getting our collection of donated doggie raincoats organized in anticipation of a wet winter. We have quite a few but are always happy to accept donations of more if you have ones

that you no longer need. Tucker is one of the shelter dogs that is unfazed by a little rain. He is also one of the few small dogs currently available. Weighing in at around 20 pounds, Tucker may be part dachshund, Jack Russell Terrier, or

something completely different. His age is estimated at around 3 years old.

Tucker is not your lap-dog type of small dog - more of a big dog in a small dog's body. He has both energy and stamina and would make a great walking or jogging partner. He is always eagerly waiting at the ken-



Tucker is friendly with other dogs and would be happy to have a dog sibling to play with. He notices the cats as we walk by the cat room, but he looks more interested in playing with them then chasing them.

Tucker was found tied to a gate at the

Sequoia Humane Society in September. Someone undoubtedly thought that would be a good way for him to find a new home, but unfortunately, an abandoned animal must go through the process of waiting at the shelter instead.

Considering his situation, Tucker is a

pretty happy little guy. He can be bouncy in his enthusiasm, but he is never nippy or aggressive as some small dogs can be. He would love to go home

> with a family of his own! Tucker is neutered, microchipped and current on his vaccinations. He is available through the Humboldt County Shelter at 980

Lycoming Ave. in McKinlevville. The shelter is open Monday through Friday, with extended hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays. More information is available at petharbor.com or by calling (707) 840-9132.

Redwood Pals Rescue had a great time at our Glitter Critter Bingo last weekend. We are grateful to the Eureka Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence for putting on this fun event for our rescue and appreciative of everyone who braved the weather to come out and support us. Thank you!

With the fundraiser behind us, we are back to the work of finding good homes for our rescue dogs. One of our dogs that is ready for her forever home is the beautiful Raquel. Raquel is a 2to 3-year-old blue-nosed Pit Bull Terrier. Raquel has been housed for awhile in one of Redwood Pals' garage kennels and she is ready to move inside!

Raquel is equally happy playing with our other rescue dogs or having the humans all to herself. She is the classic love-a-bull pittie, happy to give a big smooch to anyone she can. Raquel has met small children and been



very nicely behaved with them, careful not to knock them over while playing and settling right in next to them when they sat down. Back at her foster home, she also enjoys playing in the pond. She would probably swim if the water were just a bit deeper.

Raquel would do best in a home without cats or chickens, as she finds them a little too interesting, but could be a good match with another dog. She has come on our pack walks and been fine around the other dogs. She is not spooked by the bikers and joggers that we pass either. We always say that all of our dogs would benefit from continued training, but she is off to a good start.

If you would like to meet this friendly girl, please contact us at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or call (707) 839-9692

Don't miss Bark in the Park this Saturday, Oct. 22, a 5K Run/Walk put on by the Humboldt Bay Firefighters each year. This year the proceeds will benefit Friends for Life Animal Rescue, a local rescue that focuses on low-income spay and neuter services, fosters for cats and the shelter's Emergency Medical Fund. You can also meet dogs from the shelter and Redwood Pals Rescue at the event; some will be running with volunteers and some will be enjoying the run as spectators! For more information, please call Humboldt Bay Fire at (707) 441-4000.



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SCOUTS ON THE AIR Scout Troop 180 hosted "Jamboree on the Air" last Saturday with HAM radio operator Mike Herr, WA6ARA, from Ridgecrest, Calif. "Jamboree on the Air" is an international scouting event held annually the third weekend of October. Herr's grandsons are members of McKinleyville Troop 180, and he traveled to McKinleyville to help with the event. Twenty Scouts from Packs 95 and 28 and Troop 180 participated. Above, Scout Maxx Crow from Pack 95 and Herr go live. The scouts at this event were able to contact other operators, scouts and events in Eureka, Fortuna, San Diego, South Dakota and Canada. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Girl Scouts Troop 10622 have completed their Bronze Award, the highest award a Junior Girl Scout can earn. Junior Girl Scouts are girls in the fourth and fifth grade. To earn this award, they must complete a Journey program that teaches them to recognize their skills and the skills of others and to work together as a team. They are also encouraged to explore their communities and recognize problems, make a plan to fix a problem and work together on the solution. Their solution must be sustainable, and each girl must work 20 hours. Three girls, Violet Fogg, Fiona Kingery and Grace Mola, chose to refurbish the garden at the McKinleyville Family Resource Center. This area is used as an outdoor meeting space for some of the groups who use that facility, such as mothers with young children. The girls weeded and trimmed existing plants, replanted some areas where plants had died, added new chips and replaced picnic tables that had rotting boards with new tables. Arcata Sunrise Rotary, Soroptimist International of Arcata and Miller Farms gave generous donations to help with this project.

**BRONZE AWARDS** Three girls of Junior

**FALL SALAD LUNCHEON** The Blue Lake Museum hosts its annual Fall Salad Luncheon Thursday, Oct. 20 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Mad River Grange, 110 Hatchery Rd. in Blue Lake. There will be raffle baskets, opportunity drawing, lots of delicious salads and sweet breads. Admission is a \$6 donation.

**TALK MATTERS!** The Cascadia Center for Leadership invites the public to a celebration in honor of Mary Gelinas' new book: Talk Matters! Saving the World One Word at a Time Friday, Oct. 21 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Emmerson Room of the Humboldt

Area Foundation. Books will be available for signing; Gelinas will give a brief presentation at 5 p.m. Drinks and light refreshments will be served. gelinasjames.com

**HONOR CIVIC LEADERS** The League of Women Voters of Humboldt County will host the annual State of the Community Luncheon in April 2017. Each year, the league honors local individuals and/or groups for their civic contributions. Do you know someone who has made a significant contribution to the community? Now is your chance to nominate that person or organization. To get a nomination form, call (707)

444-9252 or visit *lwvhc.org* before Dec. 1 to download the form. Please take time to nominate an individual or organization who educates, inspires or serves our community. At the April luncheon, the chair of the Board of Supervisors gives an account of the state of our community and a keynote speaker addresses a topic of major interest. The League of Women Voters of Humboldt County is a nonpartisan political organization dedicated to encouraging the informed and active participation in government. The league organizes candidate forums, registers voters and provides pro and con information about ballot initiatives.





BE IN THE BUBBLE College of the Redwoods presents its 29th Science Night on Friday, Oct. 21 from 5 to 9 p.m. This educational and fun evening of free activities will be held on the CR Eureka main campus at 7351 Tompkins Hill Rd., seven miles south of Eureka. Parking is free, and there is no admission charge. Science Night offers fun for all ages and includes demonstrations, hands-on activities, experiments and lectures - most presented by CR faculty - on many facets of math, science and technology. There will be more than 25 different activities for curious scientists of all ages with lots of hands-on activities for children, including the "Howling Gummi Bears," the "Chemical Magic Show," "Bubble Magic," (above) and the "Trebuchet (catapult)." There will also be a screening of the National Geographic documentary Before the Flood, a rousing call to action as it follows Leonardo DiCaprio around the globe bearing witness to climate change and meeting with experts on what must be done to save our planet. Bring your family early and eat in the CR cafeteria or outside at the food trucks. redwoods.edu/ Events/ScienceNight, (707) 476-4101 SUBMITTED PHOTO

**DEALING WITH DIFFICULT PEOPLE** Practical approaches to resolve relational conflict will be discussed at Lifetree Café on Sunday, Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. The program, titled "Dealing With Difficult People: Secrets for Everyday Life From a Hostage Negotiator," features a filmed interview with police SWAT commander Rick Arnold, a trained hostage negotiator. During the program, participants will have an opportunity to discuss difficult people in their own lives while brainstorming ways to better interact with them.Lifetree Café is a free conversation cafe located at Campbell Creek Connexion, corner of Union and 13th streets in Arcata. Coffee and snacks are served.

# **❖ EMPLOYMENT**

Visiting Angels is seeking Caregivers, CNAs & HHAs to assist seniors in Fortuna, McKinleyville, and Eureka. Part-time and Full-time, flexible hours. Please call 707-362-8045.

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# LEGAL NOTICES

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT 16-00586

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE BIG BLUE CAFE 846 G STREET **ARCATA, CA 95521** JEFF L. KUNKLE 399 TANGLEWOOD ROAD ARCATA, CA 95521 This business is conducted by: An Individual S/JEFF KUNKLE, OWNER This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on OCT, 4, 2016 KELLY E SANDERS **SC** DEPUTY CLERK

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

16-00591 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE COMMUNITY **CUPBOARD** 839 NINTH STREET **ARCATA, CA 95521** P.O. BOX 1034 **ARCATA, CA 95518** ALEC M. HOWARD 1166 H STREET **ARCATA. CA 95521** This business is conducted by: An Individual S/ALEC HOWARD, OWNER This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on OCT. 6, 2016 KELLY E. SANDERS **GW** DEPUTY CLERK

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT 16-00578

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: OFF THE GRID 2346 WOOD ST. **EUREKA. CA 95501** JENNIFER D. KOOPMAN 2346 WOOD ST. **EUREKA, CA 95501** This business is conducted by: An Individual S/JENNIFER KOOPMAN, OWNER

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on SEPT. 28, 2016 KELLY E. SANDERS **SC** DEPUTY CLERK

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT 16-00598

(are) doing business as: IN GOOD HAND 2928 MACK RD. #A **ARCATA, CA 95521** LISA J. ROBINSON 2928 MACK RD. #A **ARCATA, CA 95521** This business is conduct-

ed by: An Individual S/LISA J. ROBINSON.

OWNER This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on OCT, 12, 2016 KELLY E. SANDERS **SC** DEPUTY CLERK

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT 16-00583

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MYSTIC ROSE **50 SCENIC DRIVE** TRINIDAD, CA 05570 **EMILY M. CASSELMAN 50 SCENIC DRIVE** TRINIDAD, CA 95570 This business is conducted by: An Individual

S/EMILY M. CASSELMAN, OWNER This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on SEPT. 30, 2016 KELLY E. SANDERS **GW** DEPUTY CLERK

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT 16-00600

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ROROBOT 1470 SPEAR AVENUE ARCATA, CA 95521 RACHEL V. CONRAD 1470 SPEAR AVENUE ARCATA, CA 95521

This business is conducted by: An Individual S/RACHEL CONRAD, OWNER

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on OCT. 12, 2016 KELLY E. SANDERS AA DEPUTY CLERK

#### **ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE** OF NAME VANESSA

PERRY AND/OR The following person(s) is JEFF RITCHEY SUPERIOR COURT OF **CALIFORNIA COUNTY** OF HUMBOLDT

CASE NO. CV160752 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner VANES-

SA PERRY has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: a. Present name: COLE-TON LEE PERRY to Proposed name COLETON LEE RITCHEY. b. Present name: EMILY MAIRE PERRY to Proposed name EMILY MAIRE RITCHEY. 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear

before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person obiecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not

objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Date: November 4, 2016 Time: 1:45 p.m. Dept.: 8 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be pub-

be granted. If no written

lished at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union. Date: SEP. 13, 2016 DALE A. REINHOLTSEN

ORDER TO SHOW **CAUSE FOR CHANGE** 

Judge of the Superior Court

OF NAME IVY MATHENY SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

CASE NO. CV160816 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner IVY MATHENY has filed a petition with this court a decree changing names as follows: Present name: IVY JO-SEPHINE MATHENY to Proposed name IVY JOSEPHINE MATHENY

NORTH. 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Date: November 14, 2016

Time: 1:45 p.m. Dept.: 8 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union. Date: SEP. 26, 2016 DALE A. REINHOLTSEN Judge of the Superior Court

**ORDER TO SHOW** CAUSE FOR **CHANGE OF NAME** JULIE SLATER SUPERIOR COURT OF **CALIFORNIA COUNTY** OF HUMBOLDT **CASE NO. CV160815** 

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner JULIE SLATER has filed a petition with this court a decree changing names as follows: Present name: JULIE NICHOLE SLATER to Proposed name JULIE NICH-OLE SLATER NORTH.

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Date: November 14, 2016

Time: 1:45 p.m. Dept.: 8 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union. Date: SEP. 26, 2016 DALE A. REINHOLTSEN

ORDER TO SHOW **CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME** JASON COLE BEHLER SUPERIOR COURT OF **CALIFORNIA COUNTY** 

Judge of the Superior Court

OF HUMBOLDT **CASE NO. CV160845** TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JASON COLE BEHLER has

filed a petition with this

court for a decree chang-

ing names as follows: Present name: JASON COLE BEHLER to Pro-**JASON** posed name

COLE DANIELS. 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street. Eureka. California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Date: November 21, 2016

Time: 1:45 p.m. Dept.: 8 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union. Date: OCT. 05, 2016 DALE A. REINHOLTSEN

Judge of the Superior Court REQUEST FOR ORDER **MODIFICATION** 

**CHILD CUSTODY** SUPERIOR COURT OF **CALIFORNIA HUMBOLDT COUNTY CASE NO. FL110286** Petitioner: Tom Belisle Resondent: Ashley Soza 1. TO: Tom Belisle

2. A hearing on this Request for Order will be held as follows: Date: 5-02-16

Time:1:30 p.m. Dept. 6 at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501.

REQUEST AND ORDER TO CONTINUE HEARING AND EXTEND TEMPORARY **EMERGENCY** 

(707) 672-2919

(EX PARTE) ORDERS 1. Name of person making the request: Ashley Soza. 2. The court has issued emergency (ex parte) orders on my Request for Order (form FL-300) on: 3. I request that the court continue the hearing date of the Request for Order (form FL-300).

4. I request the continuance because a. The papers could not be served as required before the hearing date on Petitioner. 5. The request to continue is GRANTED. The hearing on the Request for Order and temporary emergency (ex parte) orders is continued as follows:

Date: 11-14-16 Time: 1:30 p.m. Dept. 6 at the street address of the

court shown above. 6. The temporary emergency orders expire on:

#### **MONTANA 11TH** JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

FLATHEAD COUNTY ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE Cause No.: DR.08.022A In re the Parenting of: minor child(ren); Tressa L. Schutter, Petitioner and Richard L. Jones Jr., Respondent.

Based on the Petitioner's Motion and Supporting Affidavit, this Court finds good cause for hearing the Motion to Amend Parenting Plan.

This Court orders: 1. A hearing on this matter

is scheduled for:

• Date: 10/27/16 • Time: 8:30 a.m. · Place: Flathead County

Courthouse

2. To the person who did not file the Motion to Amend Parenting Plan in this case: You should go to the scheduled hearing and tell the Court if there

other parent's Proposed Amended Parenting Plan should not be granted. If you do not appear, the Court may grant the other parent's motion by default judgment.

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Case Name:

JAMES T. HASTINGS

Case No.: JV150223

1. To James Hastings, aka

James Hastings, Jr. and

anyone claiming to be a

parent of James T. Hast-

ings born on 11/19/2009 at

St. Joseph Hospital, Eure-

2. A hearing will be held

on December 19, 2016

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3. At the hearing the court

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have the right to be repre-

Division, 2nd floor.

ka, CA.

3. To the person who filed the Motion to Amend Parenting Plan: You must go to the hearing and tell the Court why your motion should be granted. You must also personally serve a copy of this Order to Show Cause on the other parent at least ten (10) days before the hearing. Date: 10/4/2016

> s/Amy Eddy District Court Judge

**LEGAL NOTICE** mendations of the social NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVworker or probation officer. EN that the undersigned, STANWOOD A MURprobation officer will rec-PHY. JR. and PAMELA J. ommend that your child be MURPHY, as the Trustors, freed from your legal cuscreated the "BAHAMA tody so that the child may MAMA NEVADA TRUST," be adopted. If the court dated September 21, follows the recommen-2016, which is a self-setdation, all your parental tled spendthrift trust, purrights to the child will be suant to Nevada Revised terminated. Statutes 166.010 through 5. You have the right to be STANWOOD present at the hearing, to A. MURPHY, JR. and PApresent evidence, and you MELA J. MURPHY, the Trustors of the Trust have sented by an attorney. If transferred property to this you do not have an attor-Trust on or about the date ney and cannot afford to that this Trust was created. hire one, the court will apand will make additional point an attorney for you. transfers of property in 6. If the court terminates the future. All inquiries in your parental rights, the relation to this Trust shall order may be final. be directed to JEFFREY 7. The court will proceed BURR, LTD., 2600 Paseo with this hearing whether Verde Parkway, Henderor not you are present. son, Nevada 89074.

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DATED this September 21, 2016. s/STANWOOD A. MUR-PHY. JR. s/PAMELA J. MURPHY

Inquiries should be delivered to: Jason Walker, Fso. JEFFREY BURR, LTD. 2600 Paseo Verde Parkway Henderson, Nevada 89074 Attorney for Trustee

ATTORNEY FOR: CHILD WELFARE SERVICES JEFFREY S. BLANCK,

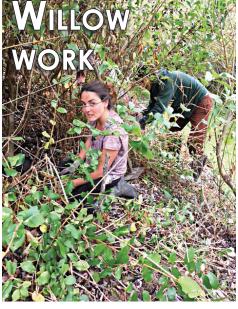
COUNTY COUNSEL #115447 DEBRA AVENMARG **DEPUTY COUNTY** COUNSEL #271366 825 FIFTH STREET EUREKA, CA 95501 (707) 445-7236 DATE: OCT 04, 2016 Clerk, by Kim L. Bartleson. Deputy

10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/02

SANCTUARY

FABRIC PRUNERS The City of Arcata, in cooperation with Dan Gale from the USFW Service and Doug Kelly from Humbolt Fish Action Council, hosted a volunteer event Oct. 8 at the north fork of Janes Creek. Most of the volunteers belonged to the HSU Natural Resources club; Irene Leyenda, right, came from Spain!

In total, 10 volunteers showed up for the event. Using box cutters and pruners, workers cut geotextile fabric around the base of willow trees that were planted several years ago and were now being girdled by the fabric. The workers treated several hundred feet of planted area on the stream bank, which will eventually shade the creek and help eradicate canary reed grass. Those on hand reported that Kelly provided an exquisite breakfast and a very complete barbecue meal.



The next work day is Saturday, Oct. 22 beginning at 9 a.m. and ending no later than 1 p.m. Work will involve decommissioning a social trail by moving in ferns and logs and removing invasives in that area. The work site is just a few minutes' walk from the parking lot near the Scout Hut/Playground/Basketball Court/ Lodge of Redwood Park on the west side of the Community Forest. Please bring your own water and gloves, as only a limited supply is provided. Work will take place rain or shine. PHOTO BY JAVIER NOGUEIRA | CITY OF ARCATA

# 'Changing Tides, Changing Times' conference

MAD RIVER UNION

EUREKA – The Humboldt Bay Initiative convenes the Humboldt Bay Symposium Friday and Saturday, Oct. 21 and 22 at the Wharfinger Building in Eureka.

The symposium is held every two years to provide the public an opportunity to hear directly from experts about the latest developments on a variety of timely topics related to Humboldt Bay, including scientific research, ecological restoration, sustainable use of natural resources, recreational facilities and maritime infrastructure and industry.

This year's conference, "Changing Tides, Changing Times," will focus on large-scale environmental changes such as global warming, sea level rise and ocean acidification. Experts will share current understanding of how these changes will affect our region as well as efforts to prepare for and adapt to them.

The content on Friday, Oct. 21 will be slightly more technical in nature; morning presentations include research on ocean acidification and hypoxia, plate tectonics and relative sea level rise, as well as the ets-28099811292?aff=es2.

effects of climate change and sea level rise on local weather patterns, coastal dunes and eelgrass. The afternoon will consist of a moderated discussion with a panel of local practitioners focused on the history and future of restoration efforts in Humboldt Bay. There will be a poster session with refreshments from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Presentations on Saturday, Oct. 22 will be aimed at a broad public audience. The morning will feature presentations on a range of Humboldt Bay-related topics including restoration efforts, aquaculture expansion, waterfront and coastal trails, sources of bacterial contamination, cleaning up and repurposing a former pulp mill, dredging, and disused waterfront infrastructure. Afternoon presentations focus on sea level rise, new flood hazard maps from FEMA, algal blooms, anomalous fish distributions, sea star wasting syndrome and eelgrass monitoring efforts.

For the full program details and to register for the conference, visit eventbrite.com/e/humboldt-bay-symposium-conference-2016-tick-



SANCTUARY FOREST CONSER-**VATION CAMPAIGN KICK-OFF** Tune in to KMUD 91.1FM Tuesday, Oct. 25 from 7 to 8 p.m. for a special edition of the Sanctuary Forest Radio Hour, as Sanctuary Forest kicks off of their land conservation campaign to forever protect the 1,300-acre Van Arken Watershed – the third-largest tributary to the Mattole River Headwaters. Lands Program Director Galen Doherty will be joined by Sanctuary Forest founder Rondal Snodgrass, as well as other dedicated local land conservation leaders to discuss the conservation history of the Mattole and surrounding areas, the critical importance of conserving the Van Arken Watershed, and Sanctuary Forest's vision for the property. In addition, Ali Freedlund of the Mattole Res-

toration Council will be call-

ing in to briefly discuss the Timber Harvest Plan that will impact portions of McKee, Van Arken, Ravashoni, and Harris Creeks. The second half of the show will be call in. sanctuaryforest.org PHOTO BY GALEN DOHERTY

OTTERS, MINKS & WEASELS, OH MY! Hear about local river otters, minks and weasels from Phil Johnston at a free public lecture sponsored by Friends of the Arcata Marsh Friday, Oct. 21 7:30 p.m. at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center. Johnston will discuss the abundance, ecology and behavior of our local mustelid species, with an emphasis on long-tailed weasels, northern river otters and American minks, all of which call the Arcata Marsh home. This talk will shed light into the secret lives and geographically unique behaviors and adaptations of local weasels, as well as the historical and current conservation measures in place to manage and protect these species. For more information or to

**STELLER'S JAYS** The HSU Natural History Museum hosts a lecture about the Steller's Jays of Redwood National and State Parks Thursday, Oct. 20 at 7 p.m. in the new Learning Laboratory, located in the historic Figuerido's building at 1242 G St. in Arcata. Biologist, lecturer and film producer Will Goldenberg will reveal results from his largescale study of the interactions and behaviors of these commonly seen birds and the effects they have on the Marbled Murrelet, an endangered sea bird. Warm drinks and goodies will be provided. Donations are appreciated. (707) 826-4479, humboldt.edu/natmus

guarantee a seat, call (707) 826-2359.

MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary Saturday, Oct. 22 at 2 p.m. Meet leader Barbara Reisman at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the history or ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359

**DUNES WORKDAY** Help restore the Lanphere Dunes Unit of the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge Saturday, Oct. 22 from 9:30 a.m to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers will help remove invasive iceplant to make space for native plant diversity. Meet at Pacific Union School, 3001 Janes Rd. in Arcata, to carpool to the protected site. Gloves, tools and snacks will provided. Please wear closed-toed shoes and bring drinking water. (707) 444-1397, jess@friendsofthedunes.org

**SLOW MARSH TOUR** Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour for those who love the Marsh and want to enjoy seeing it at a slower pace than regular Saturday tours, Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 2 p.m. The tour lasts 90 minutes across even, level ground and is suitable to attendees of all ages. Meet leaders John DeMartini and Jane Wilson at the first parking lot on South I Street in from Samoa Boulevard. This tour is held the last Tuesday of each month, come rain, shine, or wind. (707) 826-2359



